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PREFACE TO THE SECOND EDITION

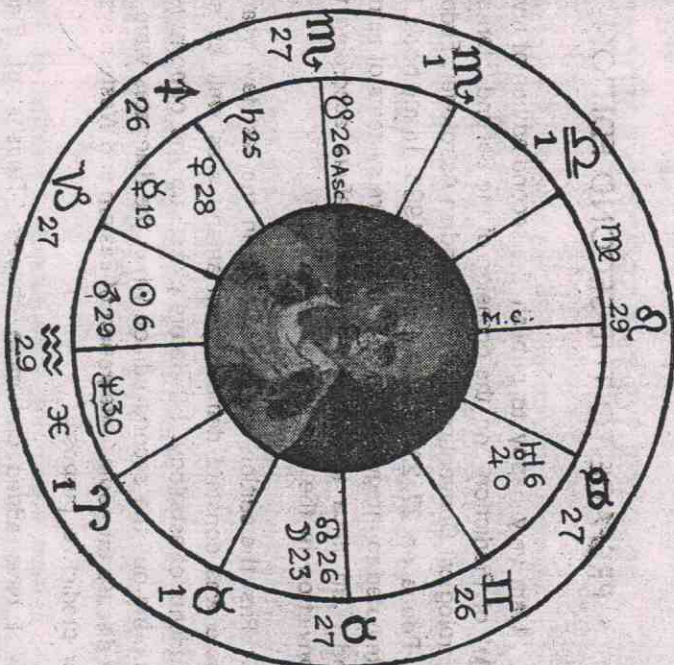
I am very happy to publish the second edition of my book 'Art of Prediction' on the occasion of the Second International Astrological Convention held by the Indian Astrologers Federation at Poona on 27, 28 and 29 October 1983. In my book, I have attempted to integrate Eastern and Western systems of astrology and I am since long practicing it successfully according to my conviction in the last several years.

First the edition was out of print in the last few years and there was constant demand from amateurs as well as serious students of astrology. I therefore picked up the opportune time to bring out the second edition when the delegates were going to discuss the topic, 'Integration of Eastern and Western systems for predictive purposes.'

I have added one more chapter 'Transits of Planets and Cycles' theory which was discussed by Robert Hand of USA in the First International Astrological Convention held at New Delhi in 1980. It is thought-provoking and the readers will find it interesting.

Shri. Mukund Kaduskar, proprietor of Kalpana Arts Poona arranged the printing of the book within the shortest possible time. Capt. Rowe read the manuscripts and corrected it whenever necessary. I am grateful for the same.

Poona,
October 27 1983.



This book is dedicated to my late revered
father who preached the gospel of
Bhagwat Geeta, and observed
Karmic Philosophy throughout his life.

—Author

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Introduction

Although astrology is a science like other sciences, it demands the highest skill and capacity to interpret and predict events with precision.

Numerous sensational predictions made by me in the field of Mundane Astrology, popularly known as 'Political Astrology', sports, social problems and nativities of national and international eminence, in the columns of various distinguished newspapers, have come true and are quite fresh in the minds of numerous critics and readers.

This has created an urge and fascination among discreet readers, who have time and again prevailed upon me to enlighten them on the guidelines which have to be inevitably complied with for such marvellous results.

In my humble way, therefore, I place my personal views and convictions regarding the subject, which, I feel, would be of some value and interest to the serious students of science.

Two systems

As there is dualism in regard to belief in God, known as Astika-Nastika or Theist and Atheist, the students of astrology are inevitably confronted with two systems, popularly known as 'Sayana' and 'Nirayana'. The former is termed as the Western system and the latter as Indian or Hindu system.

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Ancient Indian scholars, Maharshi Varahmihir, Kalidas, Kalyan Varman etc., laid a sound foundation for these branches, but the principles were not sufficiently elaborate because knowledge had to be imparted to students by word of mouth from generation to generation, and all this was preserved only in Sutra style.

Besides, the universe that was conceived by them was of necessity limited. The art of printing was yet to be born. Only some manuscript copies written on Tadapatras (leaves, etc.) were made out laboriously in a haphazard manner. The custodians of such records, who had scanty knowledge of them, made much capital out of it. We have similar experience in respect of Nadi-granthas.

Westerners, like Ptolemy, and subsequent scholars, especially, Newton, Galileo and recently Sepharial, Belley, Carter, etc., have contributed much. They based their conclusions on solid and sound scientific foundations and presented systematic treatises.

Of course, the new technique adopted by Westerners enthused many students to study the Western system, conveniently neglecting the Indian or Hindu system.

It is not my purpose to dispute the period of emergence of the Indian and Western systems of astrology, nor do I wish to compare the systems and discuss their defects and relative merits. Both the systems suffer some handicaps when they are considered in isolation. A judicious blending of the two systems is more conducive to reliable and dependable deductions and this has been my experience for some years now.

Distance discourages routine discourses by astrologers of international repute and evidently what should reach the enthusiastic scholars has not so far. But in the modern world, this is not a very serious obstacle inasmuch as articles can be contributed by persons of proved merit on a reciprocal basis.

Such an approach would not only revolutionize the scope of the science having great scientific value, but it would probably go

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a long way in bringing about some works of utility in the fields of different systems of thought. My articles so far have been the product of this innermost longing.

Students of astrology should first study both the system independently of each other, from various text-books and after studying the theory of Ayanashas should form their unbiased opinion about Sayana and Nirayana systems.

A student who is aspiring to be a successful astrologer must be able to erect Sayana Bhavachalit Chart and deduce from it Nirayana and at least Navamansh charts with Nakshatra position of each of the planets. After doing this, he should consider all the aspects and study them coherently to have a complete grasp of the horoscope and to understand the psychology of the native and then apply Indian system of prediction including Gochara and Dasha systems. Once he is able to do this, then there is practically no difficulty in arriving at definite conclusions and to predict the events, confidently.

Keeping this in view, the book has been arranged in two parts. Without resorting to much routine technicalities, in Part I important aspects of skilful predictions have been given, whereas Part II is devoted to the predictive portion. The topics selected for presentation are purely those about which there is a lot of curiosity and anxiety, since every one of us at some period of time in our life is concerned with a number of circumstances which vitally seek to control our impulses and regulate our life. Fore knowledge of future events goes a long way in bringing about a prepared state of mind to absorb shocks and rebound joy in times of adversity and prosperity.

Signs (Rashis)

The names of the 12 zodiacal signs, popularly known as 'Rashis' are neither visible nor bodies. They are spaces of 30° each or 12 parts of the zodiac which is commonly understood as the apparent path of the Sun around the earth, i. e., elliptic. It is invisible, yet we can only detect its position by observing where the planets are located in the heaven, especially during the night time. The following table indicates the relationship between the Signs and Nakshatras :

Symbol	Sign	Degrees	Nakshatra
♈	Aries (Mesh)	13.20	Aswini
		13.20	Bharani
		3.20	Krittika
♉	Taurus (Vrishbha)	10.00	Krittika
		13.20	Rohini
		6.40	Mriga
♊	Gemini (Mithuna)	6.40	Mriga
		13.20	Ardra
		10.00	Punarvasu

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Symbol	Sign	Degrees	Nakshatra
♋	Cancer (Kataka)	3.20	Punarvasu
		13.20	Pushya
		13.20	Aslesha
♌	Leo (Simha)	13.20	Magha
		13.20	Purva
		3.20	Uttara
♍	Virgo (Kanya)	10.00	Uttara
		13.20	Hasta
		6.40	Chitra
♎	Libra (Tula)	6.40	Chitra
		13.20	Swati
		10.00	Vishakha
♏	Scorpio (Vrishchika)	3.20	Vishakha
		13.20	Anuradha
		13.20	Jyeshtha
♐	Sagittarius (Dhanu)	13.20	Moola
		13.20	Purvashadha
		3.20	Uttarashadha
♑	Capricorn (Makar)	10.00	Uttarashadha
		13.20	Shravan
		6.40	Dhanishtha
♒	Aquarius (Kumbha)	6.40	Dhanishtha
		13.20	Shatataraka
		10.00	Purva-bhadrapada
♓	Pisces (Mina)	3.20	Putra-bhadrapada
		13.20	Uttara-bhadrapada
		13.20	Revati

Elements and Qualities

	Fire	Water	Air	Earth
Cardinal	Aries	Cancer	Libra	Capricorn
Fixed	Leo	Scorpio	Aquarius	Taurus
Mutable	Sagittarius	Pisces	Gemini	Virgo

Rulership

Leo	Cancer	-	Ruled by Sun and Moon respectively.
Virgo	Gemini	-	" "
Scorpio	Aries	-	" "
Sagittarius	Pisces	-	" "
Capricorn	Aquarius	-	" "
Libra	Taurus	-	" "

Exaltation

The Sun in Aries	-	The Moon in Taurus
Mercury in Virgo	-	Venus in Pisces
Mars in Capricorn	-	Jupiter in Cancer
Saturn in Libra	-	

Having studied the qualities of the Rashis so far, let us now dwell upon the Nakshatras in the next chapter, as they form an important aspect in predictive astrology. They have unfortunately received very scant attention all these days.

Study of Nakshatra

The effect of the planets can be judged more precisely if Nakshatra positions than from their sign positions. Hence it would be interesting to embody the general and specific characteristics of the structure and composition of the Nakshatra system enunciated by Hindu astrologers of pre-Vedic and Vedic periods.

Historical Background*

The ancient Indian literature is divided into two sections, Vedic and post-Vedic and the chronological sequence of events the latter can now be pretty accurately determined with reference to the date of Buddha, the invasion of Alexander the Great, the inscriptions of Ashoka, the Shaka Era and a number of other archaeological data recently discovered. However, when we go back to the Vedic literature, the oldest portions of which admittedly depict the most ancient Aryan civilization of which any record have been left, we find no such land-marks; and inevitably, therefore, the method at first adopted by Western Sanskrit scholars ascertain the antiquity of the Vedic civilisation was somewhat vague and arbitrary.

* From Vedic Chronology and Vedanga Jyotisha.

Indian astronomy was one of the first attractions which enthused the Western Scholars to enquire and delve deep when the existence of Sanskrit literature became known to them in the last quarter of the 18th century. There are numerous learned, critical and thought-provoking articles in the first volumes of "Asiatic Researches" by Sir W. Jones, Colebrooke, Devies and other scholars which seek to depict the special and important features of Indian Astronomy, e. g., the lunar zodiac, and its antiquity, the Indian and the Arabic divisions of the zodiac, the precession of equinoxes, etc. Even the Vedang Jyotisha, that small tract of Astronomy appended to the Vedas and which is the oldest astronomical work in Sanskrit did not escape their attention; and though many verses in it were then obscure, it was crystal clear that the position of solstices mentioned therein carried us back, roughly speaking to about 1100 or 1400 B. C.

In 1840, the well-known French astronomer, J. B. Biot published a number of articles in the *Journal des Savants* in which he fruitlessly attempted to prove that the Indian system of Nakshatras must have been borrowed from the Chinese, because in the first place the antiquity of the Chinese system was fully authenticated by reliable ancient texts, going back to 2357 B. C., when the vernal equinox was in Mao (i. e. in Indian Kritika), and secondly because from the practical astronomical point of view the stars in the Chinese system of *Sicon* (Nakshatras) were mathematically best suited to the purpose for which they were used, viz., to observe the meridian passage of equinoctial and solstitial points, as well as that of certain circum-polar stars. These stars, he maintained, were originally 24 in number to which 4 more corresponding to the two solstitial and equinoctial points of the time were added, in about 1100 B. C., thus increasing the total number of *Sicon* to 28. Biot, therefore, concluded that the priority of discovery must belong to that place, where the system is found to be more suited to the use made thereof, viz. to China; and that Indians must have borrowed the same at a later time and date and used it awkwardly for their purpose.

Prof. Alfred Weber, however, clearly saw the weakness of Biot's exposition resting as it did, on the supposed antiquity of the Chinese texts; and the so-called convenience of astronomical observation of the time. With great diligence and learning he, therefore, collected all astronomical statements contained in the various Vedic works and published in 1860 and 1862, his two essays on "The Vedic accounts of Nakshatras." In the first of these, he showed that the supposed antiquity of the Chinese text was unwarranted by historical facts and in the second conclusively proved that the ancient existence of the Indian system of Nakshatras, with the Kritika at their head was fully borne out by passages in Vedic works of undoubted antiquity.

Lokamanya Tilak further observed : "If Weber had gone further and arranged and co-ordinated the texts collected by him he could have easily perceived that the series of Mrigshiras (Orion) at the head. Weber had the same opinion about the capacity of Hindus to make any, even the crudest celestial observations, as was held by Whitney; and though he established the priority of the Indian system of Nakshatras over the Chinese, he was, in consequence, led to believe, almost on imaginary grounds, that neither the Indians, nor the Chinese, nor again the Arabs, whose system of Manzil (Nakshatras) resembles the Indian and the Chinese in many points, were the original discoverers of the system; but that all of them must have borrowed it from still unknown West Asian, possibly Babylonian source."

Prof. Max Muller in his preface to the fourth volume of the first edition of the *Rigvedas*, published in 1862, contested this view and rejected it as groundless. Thibaut, writing on this subject in the *Journal of Asiatic Society of Bengal* in 1894, expressly stated that the theory of the Babylonian origin of the Indian Nakshatra system must, in consequence be given up, and a year earlier, that is, in 1893, H. Jacobi, who meanwhile was prosecuting his investigation into the *Rigvedic Calendar*, almost simultaneously but independently came to the conclusion to which Lokamanya Tilak had already arrived, viz. that in the days of the

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Rigveda. The Vernal Equinox was in Mrigshira or Orion, and that the Vedic texts properly interpreted clearly referred to a Nakshatra series older than the one beginning with the Kritika as its head, thereby carrying back the antiquity of the Vedic civilisation to the fifth millennium Before Christ.

Predictive Aspect

From the earlier discussion, the reader will grasp the historical background of Nakshatras and their origin, development and further progress in our land. They were neither borrowed nor lent by any outside countries. They were in use and existence since the pre-Vedic period. It is the outcome of intelligent probes by numerous Indian sages who had conceived their precise location in the heavens and made copious use of it for predictive astrology. These glorious achievements and concepts were handed down from one generation to the other all of which have contributed to their fuller and progressive growth. In spite of various historical developments and new conceptions, the Hindu faith in the Nakshatras is still unflinching and ever fresh as before.

In the Vedic periods, the Nakshatras were used for determining the auspicious Muhurtas for performing religious rites including Yagnyas or such other group activities. In Bramhan and Upanishad periods these were used extensively for determining the years, seasons (*Ratus*), months and days.

In the Mahabharat period, the planets were located in Nakshatras. When wars and battles were in full swing, the fierce positions of the planets in the fiery Nakshatras were described. These Nakshatras were used according to their auspicious or inauspicious nature in daily life. I may quote some of the examples. 'A daughter should be sent to her father-in-law' on Swati Nakshatra, whereby she will enjoy married life peacefully, will be praised and loved by all in her husband's house. If one longs for a male issue, the girl should be offered in marriage on a male Nakshatra, like Pushya, whereas for a female issue, on Rohini. Even, today, we find that if Rohini is rising on the

scendant, in either of the couple's chart, female births exceed male issues.

Transit or Gochara

The Moon, though, it does not belong to the solar family and is only a satellite of the Earth, is considered of prime importance for the purpose of transit or *Gochara*. The Nakshatra of the Moon at the time of birth is reckoned for all purposes. The ancients have formed a group of nine Nakshatras for predictive purposes (*Gochara*), as shown below :-

(1)	First	Janma	Generally good for all purposes.
(2)	Second	Samrat	Good for money earning etc.
(3)	Third	Vipat	Inauspicious since it is presumed that it creates troubles and difficulties.
(4)	Fourth	Kshem	Good for comforts.
(5)	Fifth	Pratyara	Obstacles of hindrances.
(6)	Sixth	Sadhak	Neutral.
(7)	Seventh	Vadha	Slaughter. It means most inauspicious.
(8)	Eighth	Mitra	Friendly.
(9)	Ninth	Param Mitra	Most friendly and hence auspicious.

To illustrate this, I shall quote the following. If the Moon the time of birth is in Cancer with Punarvasu, the order to the above system for *Gochara* purposes will be as follows :-

First group	Second group	Third group.
Punarvasu - Janma	Vishakha	Purva - Bhadrabhadra
Pushya - Samrat	Anuradha	Uttara - Bhadrabhadra
Ashlesha - Vipat	Jyeshtha	Revati

First group	Second group	Third group.
Magha - Kshem	Moola	Aswini
Purva - Pratyara	Purvashadha	Bharani
Uttara - Sadhak	Uttarashadha	Krittika
Hasta - Vadha	Shravan	Rohini
Chitra - Mitra	Dhanishtha	Mrigshira
Swati - Param	Shatatraka	Ardra.
Mitra.		

General Characteristics

Aswini :- It comes under the rulership of Ketu. (D. Tail-the Moon's South node). Person born with this Nakshatra on ascendant or the Moon will be fair looking, but will not make a profound impression. May not be necessarily smart. If a majority of the planets, especially the Sun, the Moon or Raj-yogakaraka planet is placed in it, it causes some disappointment or frustration in life.

Bharani :- It comes under the rulership of Venus. Those born with this, will be fond of beautiful things, love towards maternal success. It is good for sports, arts and singing. It is auspicious for females rather than males. If it is rising on ascendant, the females will be beautiful and the males may not look that much manly.

Krittika :- It comes under the rulership of the Sun. Fiery in nature. It is royal and regal. Those born with this, either on ascendant or meridian cusp, will be good administrators surgeons or warriors. If malefics are posited in this, there is threat of accidents, slur, scandals and sudden fall.

Rohini :- It comes under the rulership of the lovely and feminine planet, the Moon. It renders good manners, charming personality, fine arts, including singing, dancing, etc. Very steady and good at talk and discussion around the table.

Mrigshira :- It comes under the rulership of Mars. Those born with this will be courageous, and will have love for execution rather than administration. It creates either an engineering or a military spirit. It is somewhat imposing rather than persuasive. Like Krittika, it causes disruptions and handicaps, if it is occupied by Saturn, Rahu or such other malefics.

Ardra :- It is ruled by Rahu (Dragon's head or the Moon's north node). It causes respiratory diseases such as asthma or lung troubles. Persons born with this are rather selfish, insincere and not trustworthy. It is crafty and political. It causes humiliation and brings some chronic diseases.

Punarvasu :- It comes under the rulership of Jupiter. It is considered as Heaven's gate, especially, the last quarter (first 3.20 degrees) of Cancer (Nirayan). Those born with this are good-natured, though fickle, thoughtful, well-considered and honest. They will find fortune either in religion, publishing legal matters and all things which come under the rulership of Jupiter.

Pushya :- It comes under the rulership of Saturn. Those born with this are duitful, timid, cunning yet popular. It is a common belief that gold purchased for household purposes on this Nakshatra will not be easily sold. It rules commercial lines and business field.

Atlesha :- It comes under the rulership of Mercury. Those born under this Nakshatra will be scheming and jealous, at the same time industrious, political and advocate social harmony. They will have lust for power and once they reach the higher ladder by any means, will hardly give it up. They will display diplomacy like a statesman even in insignificant positions in which they are placed.

Magha :- It comes under the influence of Ketu. Its effects will be more or less like those of Aswini. Since it occupies the regal sign, Leo (*Simha*), persons born with this will be pompous and will aspire to achieve eminent position, but success cannot be assured to the extent expected.

Purva :—Venus rules over this asterism. Those born with this will be generally wealthy and happy. Fond of females and beauties of nature, yet a little bit selfish and will find it difficult to conceal the real motive. Ardent attraction towards the other sex may be the chief cause of tarnishing the image. Venus in this or the prominent Martian sign should concurrently be studied before taking the final decision.

Uttara :—The Sun rules over this. Only the first quarter comes in the solar sign, Leo. Persons born with this are born commanders, royal officers, broad-minded, sportive, jolly and will have excessive lust for food and tasty materials, including glamour for the fair sex, and yet they will do all sorts of things with decency and a pompous manner. The best qualities of Leonians will be reflected in this Nakshatra.

Hasta :—The Moon rules over this Nakshatra. Those born with this are fickle, selfish and greedy. They are practical, intelligent and apply their brain to concrete things. Sound commercial instinct is prominent and very cautious in money matters. Their views are limited or restricted to a particular field or fields.

Chitra :—Mars rules over this Nakshatra. The first two quarters are in Virgo and the last two are in Libra. In short, both the signs are suited to the characteristics of this asterism. However, in Virgo, the Martian element is exhibited in the form of criticism, appreciation with sarcastic tone, law and other similar pursuits. Yet, all these qualities are suppressed in Libra. Love towards money is enormous.

Swati :—It comes under the rulership of Rahu. Persons born with this are shrewd, tactful and fond of the social and political field. They are timid, yet good planners and organisers. It is good for statesmanship. Saturn, Mercury and Venus are considered to be auspicious in this asterism, whereas Mars and the Sun become 'neech' or debilitated. It causes chronic health troubles in regard to blood impurities, skin diseases, etc.

Vishakha :—Jupiter rules over this asterism. Only three quarters come in Libra, whereas the remaining one in Scorpio. Person born with this asterism are well-known judges, teachers, orators and diplomats. They will perform the job of negotiators, ambassadors and will enjoy elevated positions in life. Yet there is a possibility of two extreme positions in their life.

Anuradha :—It comes under the rulership of Saturn. Persons born with this asterism are destined to reach two extremes. They are at the mercy of the circumstances in which they are placed. Various upheavals in their life cannot be ruled out. Their sex instincts are dormant and find expression curiously in various ways. They are expert in whatever subject they prefer to indulge in. Yet, the means available to them are likely to be misused in a most cruel manner. Straight nose, deep eyes and brown skin are some of the characteristics of this asterism. Such persons may find fortune in secret police, detective departments or as efficient spies.

Jyestha :—It comes under the rulership of Mercury. The effects of this asterism will be on the lines of the Mars/Mercury conjunction. Although there is agility of mind, it will be of a controversial or disputative kind. It is likely to be virile, aggressive and satirical, with good oratory and convincing manner of speech. Plodding nature and scheming and crafty attitude. Persons born with this ascendant are good auditors, lawyers and actors in the role of villains. Brain or nervous troubles cannot be ruled out.

Moola :—It comes under the rulership of Ketu. Since antiquity it is considered as most inauspicious. It is commonly felt that the boy or a girl born on this asterism will be dangerous to the life of parent. This presupposition might have been due to the fiery nature of this asterism. But such instances are very few. In certain parts of India a bride with this asterism is not acceptable for she is likely to destroy domestic harmony. This view would have been valid in a joint family system. It is true

that persons born with this asterism are somewhat quarrelsome, yet they possess enduring capacity to withstand difficulties and obstacles. If a review is made by such a person at the fag end of his life, he will have gained much less as compared with the labour undertaken.

Purashadha :—It comes under the influence of Venus. Persons born with this asterism are good-looking, popular and wealthy with magnetic personality. Females will be beautiful but with a manly structure. Love of home and parents will be significant. Fond of travel and luxuries. Luck in marriage is possible. Attraction of opposite sex, Early marriage is advisable.

Uttarashadha :—It comes under the rulership of the Sun. The first quarter in Sagittarius or Dhanu, whereas the remaining three in Capricorn. Persons born with this asterism are robust, with wide eyes, having reasonably imposing personality, fond of good food and clothing, very disciplined, possess high regard for seniors in and outside the family, possess sound knowledge especially about religion, engineering, fond of outdoor games, with capacity to defeat enemies by prowess, etc.

Shravan :—It comes under the rulership of the Moon. The good qualities of Capricorn are found in this asterism. Slowly and steadily, persons born with this asterism rise in an ascending manner. Mostly, they prefer business to service. Efficient businessmen with a keen commercial instinct, inclined to change when absolutely necessary, lust for money in various forms. If Saturn and Venus are strong, they will find prosperity after the age of 36 years.

Dhanishtha :—It is ruled by Mars. Two quarters are in Capricorn and the remaining two in Aquarius. Courageous, seek independence. Sense of frustration cannot be ruled out. Chemistry, physics and other allied research lines are their choicest pursuits. In addition, their hobbies and pastime jobs will be quiet contrary to their normal job activities.

Satha-Bhisha or Shatataraka :—It comes under the rulership of Rahu. Although courageous, learned, scholarly, good in judgment, yet they will be uncompromising. Very very critical and quarrelsome. Their carping criticism will create enmity. Such persons will be humble and submissive till they attain position, but thereafter will turn out to be ungrateful, vicious and unobliging. Such persons in authority should be handled with caution. If males are posted in this asterism, air-accidents cannot be ruled out.

Purva-Bhadrapada :—It comes under the rulership of Jupiter. The first three quarters are in Aquarius, and the last one in Pisces. Those born with this asterism are scientists, judges, men of letters, and quite successful in their chosen career. They are fortunate to possess ancestral property which comes to them as a matter of course or owing to loyalty to some cults or dogmas. They will head of some institutes, either charitable or religious. Fair looking, pious at heart, yet they will change their beliefs and opinions as and when they are influenced by new thoughts and idealism. In a strict sense, they are not dynamic but flexible. They are not trustworthy leaders in political field, but would make successful politicians. In love life, they are slippery and may change their fancy on flimsy grounds and cause unhappiness to the other party.

Uttara-Bhadrpadapa :—It is ruled by the melancholy planet Saturn. Here, Saturnian qualities are elevated considerably. Persons born with this asterism are fond of learning, versatile, yet a little lazy and have apathy towards a busy and hectic life, and hence they withdraw themselves from numerous activities. They find pleasure in isolation and they need some stimulation from outside. They talk on many things lavishly, yet lack courage in implementing their ideas. When they decide to display some rare qualities, they do not find proper expression either owing to shyness or mental pressure or owing to undue fear of the expected success. Their health will be virile and need external drugging or drinks. They serve as trusted servants or secretaries as long as

their interests are predominant. They will always play the role of the second best.

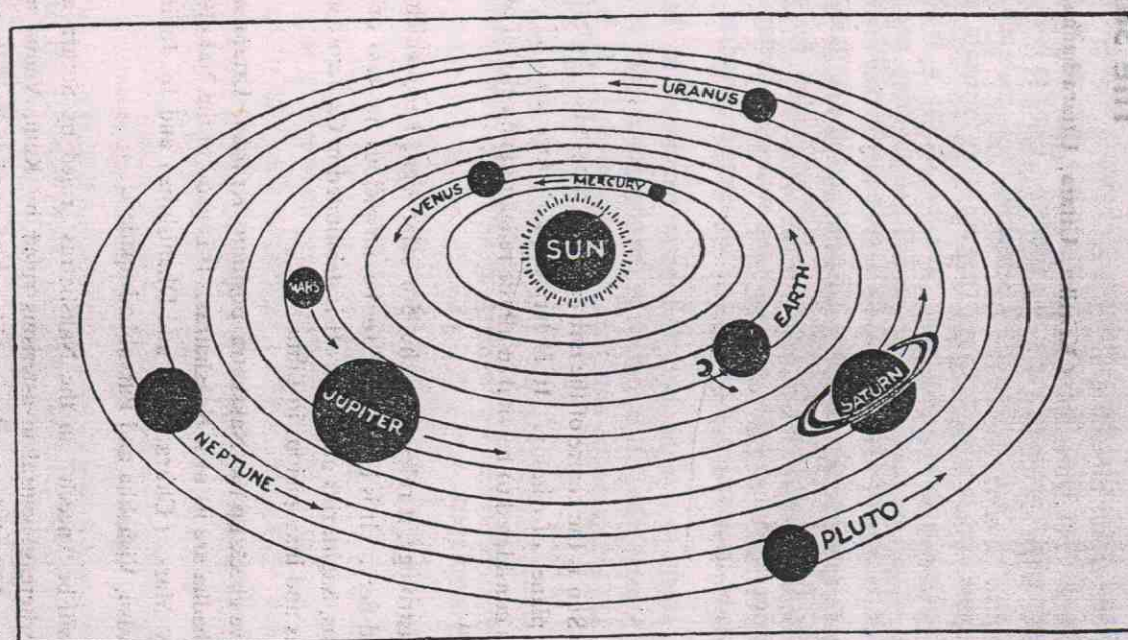
Revati :—Although it is ruled by Mercury, it is the best part of Pisces, especially, the last quarter of Revati. Eminent singers, artists, literary men, dancers, actors, adept persons in one or the other field, are born under this asterism. Females born under this asterism will be extremely attractive, will maintain lustre and poise even in advanced age. They are really fortunate partners of their husbands and will enjoy married life for a fairly long time. They are fond of ornaments and rich clothing and adorn the house even in poverty. In the case of males, they are equally good in appearance, but with a short stature and are likely to be addicted to some drinks or drugs to get inspiration for artistic devotion. Though fickle, they are keen observers, having strong flights of imagination, poets, writers and voracious readers.

Abhijit :—It is the 28th Nakshatra mentioned in Tai. Br. and Atharvaveda. It is formed by the contiguous part of the 21 and 22 (Utarashadha and Shravan, respectively). It is considered as auspicious for *Muhurts*. Some of the almanac compilers still indicate *Abhijit-Muhuri*. One Ghatika (24 minutes) before and after mid-noon (*madhyanha*) is named as *Abhijit-muhuri*, by some astrologers.

TABLE 1

Sr. No. 1	Name of Nakshatra 2	Deity 3	Gender 4	Numerical value (Vachan) 5	Relationship 6
1	Aswini	Aswin	Female	Dual	Ketu
2	Bharani	Yama	Female	Plural	Venus
3	Krittika	Agni	Female	Plural	Sun
4	Rohini	Prajapati	Female	Singular	Moon
5	Mrigshira	Soma	Neutral	Singular	Mars
6	Ardra	Rudra	Female	Singular	Rahu
7	Punarvasu	Aditi	Male	Dual	Jupiter
8	Pushya	Brihaspati	Male	Singular	Saturn
9	Ashlesha	Sarpa	Female	Plural	Mercury
10	Magha	Pitarah	Female	Plural	Ketu
11	Purva	Bhag	Female	Dual	Venus
12	Uttara	Aryama	Female	Dual	Sun
13	Hasta	Savita	Male	Singular	Moon
14	Chitra	Indra	Female	Singular	Mars

Sr. No.	Name of Nakshatra	Deity	Gender	Numerical value (Vachan)	Relationship
1	2	3	4	5	6
15	Swati	Vayu	Female	Singular	Rahu
16	Vishakha	Indragni	Female	Singular	Jupiter
17	Anuradha	Mitra	Female	Plural	Saturn
18	Jyestha	Indra	Female	Singular	Mercury
19	Moola	Pitra	Male/Neutral	Singular	Ketu
20	Purvashadha	Aapah	Female	Plural	Venus
21	Uttarashadha	Viswadeva	Female	Plural	Sun
22	Shravan	Vishnu	Female	Singular	Moon
23	Dhanishtha	Vasu	Female	Plural	Mars
24	Shatataraka	Varun	Male	Singular	Rahu
25	Purva-Bhadrapada	Aja	Male	Plural	Jupiter
26	Uttara-Bhadrapada	Shiva	Male	Plural	Saturn
27	Revati	Poosha	Female	Singular	Mercury



THE SOLAR FAMILY
Relative Sizes of the Planets and their Orbits

The Sun

(Krittika, Uttara, Uttarashadha.)

The Sun is the centre of the universe. It is the soul of the body. It is the planet of vitality. It is termed as '*Jagadatma*,' Its prayer is considered to be vital in all the religions and cults all over the world.

In astrology, it rules over the 5th solar sign, Leo, which is fixed and fiery. It is considered to be auspicious in two other fiery signs, Sagittarius and Aries. It is debilitated in Capricorn and Aquarius and inauspicious in Libra.

If we check up the Nakshatra position, Krittika, Uttara and Uttarashadha are its own Nakshatras. It is good in the Nakshatras ruled by Mars, (Chitra, Mriga and Dhanishtha) and by Jupiter, (Punarvasu, Vishakha and Purvabhadrapada).

It will be "neech" in the Nakshatras ruled by Saturn and Rahu, whereas neutral in asterisms ruled by Ketu, Venus and Mercury. Herschel may be considered as good if it is in good aspect. Neptune will create an imaginary, cloudy and scandalous position.

HOUSEWISE

It is considered to be most auspicious in the ascendant. If a person is born with it in the first house, he will be bold, generous and healthy. He will have capacity to endure and withstand all difficulties in life. He will be positive in all actions. In the second house, it makes a man a voracious eater. The native will be benefited through inherited property. Voice will be coarse and rough.

In the third house, it denotes good manners and a large family and the native will be a prominent person irrespective of age. He will rise to the occasion and make life successful. His thoughts and actions will be constructive. He will claim popularity and eminent position in life.

In the fourth house, he will have family comforts followed by prosperity in regard to lands, buildings, etc. In the fifth, good education and less progeny. Such a one will be benefited through the inner voice and will find luck in speculation. Liver trouble will be the main cause of physical handicaps. In the sixth, it denotes weakness and disturbance to health. The person will prosper in service and in a place other than his native land but will have many enemies out of jealousy and enmity. In the seventh, it will be debilitated and will have a changing pattern of life. He will prosper in sports and games or theatrical performances.

In the eighth house, it will create various handicaps to health. Heat will cause disorders. Money will be earned by unconventional and unfair means.

In the ninth, it enhances prestige and position. The native will have a radiant appearance, will be in the company of righteous and religious persons and will be fond of travel to sacred places. His luck in foreign countries cannot be ruled out.

In the tenth house, it will be auspicious and regal. He will shine in industries and may become an efficient executive. In the

eleventh, it may show easy money in business and contacts with eminent personalities and notables. In the twelfth house, it is considered inauspicious if it is afflicted, and in debilitation.

Characteristics

This planet should be judged mainly for considering the well-being of a father, vocational success and health. A person may shine more in service than in business. An eclipse at the time of birth may not render expected success, however strong the other chart may be.



The Moon

(Rohini, Hasta, Shravan)

Man has landed on the Earth's Satellite but the impact of the Moon on human life is eternal and unchangeable. The unique efforts of scientists has helped them to put the Moon under their heels. Yet the Moon will always have a sway over human mind and life.

The Moon being a satellite of the earth is not a member of the solar family. In astrology, both the lights, the Sun and the Moon are required to be considered simultaneously for the purpose of prediction. According to eminent astrologers, they constitute a pair which has to be studied coordinately in their aspects.

It is the fastest among all the known planets. It transits one single sign within about 2-1/2 days and completes a rotation in twelve zodiac signs in 27 to 29 days. Hence the lunar month varies from the Solar. In keeping with its fast motion, Indian astrologers base their *Rashi-Bhavisya* or weekly or monthly forecasts on the Moon signs rather than solar signs. These predictions give better and more vivid results within a given time as compared with those on solar movements.

The Moon rules the fourth solar sign, Cancer or '*Kataka*' and gets exaltation in Taurus. The Moon in the horoscope indicates habits, heredity, prejudices and family and racial

limitations. It is indrawn, private, negative, self-protective, and assimiative. It influences the early life of a human being, especially childhood. In Indian astrology, it is considered to be the only planet from which the well-being of the mother can be judged.

Conjunction

The Sun-Moon conjunction indicates weakness of the body as well as mind. This conjunction betokens the critical position and limits, the breadth of outlook and adaptability. At times it brings depression and a tendency to live in isolation both bodily and mentally. The Moon-Mercury association is considered sufficiently favourable for maintaining a happy relationship between the brain and common sense. This combination gives good understanding, a kindly disposition, shrewd and tactful behaviour in view of the fact that the benevolence of the Moon is absorbed by Mercury. The Moon-Venus combination makes the native patient, steady and calm. The outlook is cheerful and the mind is optimistic. It enhances domestic welfare. It leads to a love of luxury, pleasures and arts and at times results in indolence.

The Moon-Mars combination gears up energies, daring and enterprising spirits. At the same time it brings many risks both physical and financial. Indian thinkers consider it as *Laxmi-yoga* which means plenty of money without mental happiness. It tends to revolutionary or rebellious trends in case the other horoscope is sufficiently powerful.

The Moon's association with the beneficial Jupiter is considered to be highly-harmonious and confers great sympathy and a protective capacity. It bestows easy fortune and success. Yet the judgement should be made after studying the map as a whole. If this conjunction is aspected by malefics it brings vanity and complacence.

Saturn-Moon, though apparently considered malefic and destroys the wealth of a man, is best for those who have to live as selfless workers with noble objects or for national work. In the life of such persons duty stands first. They are careful in making

obligations to deserving persons. It is favourable for organising new business which calls for care and prudence rather than energy or originality.

The Moon-Herschel combination is sufficiently powerful but it is at the same time dangerous. Great determination, at times, it culminates in perversity. It is most excitable if it takes place in the fiery signs. There is always a great urge for marvellous ideas without reasonable thinking. It is more or less individualistic and is not conducive to social or group activities.

Moon-Neptune brings restlessness of the mind. Though kind, sympathetic and warm hearted, it lacks initiative. The tendency to conceal the reality is always apparent. Yet, if it is properly placed in watery or airy signs, it gives excellent intuition or power of prediction. Its visionary nature is very useful to poets, writers, dramatists, actors, etc.

Nakshatra Positions

Most of the text-book-writers have given vivid pictures of this planet of mind according to their imagination and experience. My experience is that the planet indicates the perfect nature of the human being if it is studied according to the placement of Nakshatras as under :

Sign	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neutral
Aries	Bharani	Krittika	Aswini
Taurus	Rohini	Krittika	Mrig
Gemini	Punarvasu	Ardra	—
Cancer	Punarvasu	Pushya	Ashlesha
Leo	Purva	Magha	Uttara
Virgo	Hasta	—	Chitra
Libra	Vishakha	Swati	Chitra
Scorpio	Vishakha	Anuradha	Jyeshtha
Sagittarius	Purvashadha	Mooola	Uttarashadha
Capricorn	Shravan	—	Uttarashadha
Aquarius	Purvabhadrapada	Shatataraka	Dhanishtha
Pisces	Purvabhadrapada	Uttarabhadrapada	Revati
		drapada	



Mercury

Planet of Communication
(Ashlesha, Jyestha and Revati)

In an individual horoscope, it bestows power of expression through tongue and pen, betokens an enquiring mind with logic and grasping ability. It possesses encyclopaedic knowledge. Owing to affliction through eclipses or bad aspects, the power of expression is disturbed resulting in stammering or complete dumbness.

Astrologically, its influence is convertible or variable, that is to say, it partakes or absorbs the nature of a planet or planets which it aspects. In Indian astrology, it is aptly named neutral (*Napusak*) and its effects can be assessed after studying the other planets in its aspect (*Sahacharyen Budh*.)

It is never beyond 28 degrees from the Sun and, therefore, forms a semi-sexile, quindécile and parallel with the luminary.

Conjunctions

It was held for a long time that the Sun-Mercury conjunction is of an undesirable nature. However, this view is modified by recent thinkers who feel that it renders flexibility and impartiality. It produces ascetic tendencies and the native is likely to be indulgent. Philosopher Kant and the late Vedacharya, Shri S. D. Satavalekar of Pardi are both very fine examples of this conjunction.

All Western thinkers have unanimously agreed that the Mercury Mars conjunction reveals unusual mental energies especially of a controversial and disputative kind. It is really excellent for pleaders and lawyers whose business is to take the offensive and defensive side of the cases. It is conducive to aggressive and satirical oratory. Writer Rudyard Kipling, orator Cicero, eminent novelists Emil Zola and Thomas Hardy had this powerful conjunction. The Marathi poet, dramatist and journalist, P. K. Atre, had Mars-Mercury square in his horoscope. The late Swatantrayee V. D. Savarkar had Mercury in the asterism Mrig which is ruled by Mars. The other side of this conjunction is not so encouraging. It indicates untruthfulness, exaggeration, and ill temper.

It is through communication both by speech and action that we have been able to come together intelligently in a family, society, nation and the world.

The power of expression or communication depends upon the position of Mercury in the horoscope at the time of birth. If it is well aspected and placed on ascendant or Meridian cusp or on the sensitive points in a horoscope, the person will be good in speech and conversation.

Astronomically, the planet Mercury is said to be the smallest and the speediest member of the solar system. It is closer to the Sun than any other planet. It makes a complete revolution of the Sun in 88 days. It can be seen before or after sun-rise or sun-set, respectively, under peculiar or special circumstances.

In mundane astrology, it rules over the literary world, newspapers, publications, trade and commerce, and lines of communication. It disturbs the atmosphere and produces high winds.

Mercury and Venus are never more than 76 degrees apart. It is a most auspicious aspect. It is excellent for writer and orator, as it gives fine expression and charming and lucid style. It denotes artistic and literary pursuits.

Indian thinkers do not find any good point in the Saturn-Mercury conjunction since this aspect indicates the cunning nature of a man. When this conjunction takes place in any horoscope, such a person hardly speaks the truth. This view will have to be modified so far as Taurus and Libra ascendants are concerned, since both the planets bestow Raj-yoga, if well placed in sign and house.

If both the constituents are afflicted, the Western thinkers feel that it confers suicidal tendencies, self-will or obstinacy. Such persons are hardly willing to admit their faults and mistakes. George Bernard Shaw had this conjunction in Nirayana, Gemini (Taurus ascendant).

Mercury-Neptune brings idealism. It may not necessarily be of a realistic type. It may create utopian, cloudy or foggy ideas. In good types, it may render abnormal sensitiveness and uncontrolled impulse. It brings suppressive or depressive tendencies and at times results in terrible murders, etc.

The Mercury-Herschel conjunction is considered conducive to astrologers and it was found in the maps of eminent astrologers. Wisdom and intelligence are often found nicely blended in this conjunction. If afflicted, it brings stubbornness or eccentricity. It is excellent for poets and thinkers.

I checked 15 horoscopes of mutes and found in 5 horoscopes that planet Mercury was in conjunction with the eclipse point.

Nakshatra Positions

Sign	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neutral
Aries	Bharani	Aswini	Krittika
Taurus	—	Mrig	Rohini
Gemini	Ardra	Mrig	Punarvasu
Cancer	Ashlesha/Pushya	—	—
Leo	Purva	Magha	Uttara
Virgo	Hasa	Chitra	—
Libra	Swati	—	Vishakha
Scorpio	Jyeshtha	—	Anuradha
Sagittarius	Purvashadha	Moola	Uttarashadha
Capricorn	—	Dhanishtha	Shravan
Aquarius	Shatataraka	—	Purva
Pisces	Revati, Uttara	—	—
	Bhadrapada		Bhadrapada



Venus

Love, Beauty and Fair Sex
(Bharani, Purva, Purvashadha)

in the realization of the final goal of the emancipation of life, popularly known as '*Moksha*'.

In short, its main characteristic is to attract others and bind them together in partnership, either for a joint business enterprise or with a string of friendship, both everlasting or for a short period. The key to the understanding of its ability to bring about harmony, affection, beauty, partnership, profession and money is largely governed by the position of Venus in the house and the sign. Its real work begins when one enters adolescence.

House-wise attributes

In the first house, it denotes good personality, social status, love of worldly pleasures, luxury amusement and enjoyment. In the second house, it creates excessive greed for the possession or acquisition of wealth without exertion. The eyes of such a man or woman are full of lustre. It is excellent for singers, as it helps them to develop a high pitch of sound.

In the third house, it ensures very happy and congenial relation between brothers and sisters. Males may have a fascination for costly and fashionable clothes and the females a peculiar yearning for precious ornaments.

Well aspected Venus in the fourth house creates a desire for the possession of a well-furnished and decorated house, knits smooth family relations and confers artistic ability and the capability of maintaining a comfortable means of conveyance.

In the 5th, it creates interest in love affairs. Such persons have lovely children and inherit creative artistic ability. In the 7th, it denotes wonderful ability for successful theatrical performance and a happy and romantic married life. Even business partnership runs smoothly without a friction.

In the 8th house, it earns money through the luck of the partner of through inheritance. In the 9th, it creates opportunities for travels and maintains amicable relations with foreigners and in the field of publicity. If it is in the 10th house, the native

Venus is popular known as the goddess of Beauty.

In Roman mythology it is considered to be the goddess of love. It is one of the most beautiful objects in the heavens and her silver splendour surpasses all the other planets and stars in brilliance.

It is considered as large as the Earth and its distance from the Sun is about 66 million miles. It rotates around the Sun and completes a revolution in approximately 225 days.

Western Astrologers consider that this planet is responsible for harmony, unison and relatedness, whereas Eastern Astrologers advocate that it stands for the life partner ('*Patni*'), vehicle or the means of conveyance ('*Vahan*'), ornaments ('*Bhushan*') ('*Alankar*'), Sex appeal ('*Madan*'), business ('*Vyapar*'), and happiness and well-being ('*Souktya*').

In short, it indicates worldly success. It is the ruler of the 2nd and 7th houses and Taurus and Libra are its signs. According to the Indian view, both the houses are considered inauspicious (or '*Mardaka*'), since they bring obstacles or create hindrances

becomes popular in public life without any effort. Such people are drawn into the profession of representatives or serve as good liaison officers or receptionists.

In the 11th house, it augurs well for good and healthy friendship and harmonious social life through clubs or similar associations. In the 12th, it stands for secret love affairs, excessive greed for money saving.

Some conjunctions

The Sun-Venus conjunction renders a warm hearted and affectionate nature to the native. However, some astrologers comment that the delicate and tender nature of this planet is usually lost when it is in combust. Dr. Annie Besant is a fine example of this type. She sacrificed her life for humanity as a whole. Even Indian astrologers do not recommend *Muhurts* or auspicious events for celebrating functions when this charming planet is in full conjunction with the Sun, which is popularly considered to be 'astha' of Venus.

The Mercury and Venus conjunction is considered to be the most fortuitous in all respects, especially if it is placed in the 2nd, 5th, 9th and 11th houses of the horoscope. The native enjoys fortune, very often right from birth and his needs and necessities of life are easily fulfilled.

It is usually believed that the Mars-Venus conjunction creates immoral tendencies. The accepted or prevalent opinion is not far from reality, as Venus stands for sex appeal, and Mars infuses an animal spirit. The native may act suddenly, emotionally, dramatically and spontaneously. It renders a sportive, optimistic and jolly outlook.

Jupiter and Venus are diametrically opposite in nature. No doubt, the conjunction renders grace or fine expression but it is always showy and secretive. Jupiterian qualities are usually marred by the association of the worldly planet, Venus. Similarly, but in a different way, Venetian qualities are also reduced or held in check when it comes in contact with the cold and cruel Saturn,

Mr. E. O. Carter remarks, that "duty and happiness are identified" in the life of a person when such conjunction occurs.

The Venus-Herschel combination renders unusual taste and denotes high artistic ability. It lacks the positive practical side and incites an excessive emotional temperament and sharp excitement. If the conjunction takes place, either in earthly or watery signs, it results in accidents, violence and attacks on the person.

The Neptune-Venus conjunction, though kind and tender lacks energy and initiative. Such persons are likely to devote their precious life ideologically to the pursuit of some avowed aims.

Venus, the goddess of love and beauty stands for most the fine, delicate and precious attributes of human life, and the results vary in combination with different planets and change place and sign in the horoscope of each individual.

Nakshatra positions

Sign	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neut
Aries	Bharani	Krittika	Asw M
Taurus	Rohini	—	Punarv M
Gemini	—	Ardra	Ashle
Cancer	Pushya	—	Uttar
Leo	Purva	Magha	Chit
Virgo	Hasta	—	—
Libra	Swati	Vishakha	—
Scorpio	Jyestha	—	Anurad
Sagittarius	Purvashadha	Moola	Uttarash
Capricorn	Shravan	Dhanishtha	—
Aquarius	—	Shatataraka	—
Pisces	Revati	Purva Bhadrapada	Uttar Bhadrap

Mars

Courage, Haste and Impulse -
(*Mrigshira, Chitra, Dhanistha*)

endurance, haste and impulse. It is quarrelsome, irritable, ruthless and quick-tempered when afflicted.

Mars is outside the orbit of the Earth and is much smaller than the Earth. Apart from the Moon, it has received close attention from astronomers chiefly on account of its clear atmosphere and its peculiar markings.

Mars revolves round the Sun in 687 days. Every 15 years it approaches closest to the Earth about 35 million miles from it. It shines with a splendour like that of beautiful Venus when it is nearest to the Earth.

Some Aspects

A single planet though powerful according to sign or placement does not manifest its effects unless it forms good or bad aspects with other planets for excitation or instigation.

The Sun-Mars combination creates greater energy, daring and at times adventurousness. Mussolini, Lord Curzon and Albert Einstein had this good aspect.

The Mars-Saturn combination does not usually act harmoniously yet its combination is excellent for those who have to undergo hardship and danger. The Mars-Herschel conjunction creates energy, vigour, decision and will-power of the native, provided it is powerful both in sign and placement, otherwise it renders disastrous results.

Most of the Western thinkers have advocated good results of the Mars-Neptune combination such as well-controlled emotions and well-directed passions. However, my experience in this respect is contrary. On many occasions, it renders blighted ambitions, soaring hopes, dreamy, confused and illusive ideas. It helps literary people and those who work purely in the intellectual field.

Mars-Pluto is a most decisive combination and its effects are manifested in mundane astrology rather than in the natal branch unless it is on sensitive points. If we trace the history of the world it will be found, that those two deadly planets are responsible for

In personal as well as the mundane sphere, the influence of Mars cannot be ignored as its action is sudden, explosive and disruptive.

When some one is missing, say a boy or a girl, male or female, his / her father or mother or guardian comes to an astrologer and asks him when the missing one will return home and whether he / she is still in the mood in which he / she left home. All these queries can be replied quickly if Mars is prominent at the sensitive point, in the horary chart.

Even in day-to-day life, one gets upset with trifling issues and create chaos and unpleasantness at home. Mentally and bodily he moves briskly regardless of its consequences and slaps somebody, howsoever dear to him. At such moments or thereafter, Mars is transiting either the radical Moon or the Sun or a sensitive point.

The impulsive and impetuous Mars rules Aries and Scorpio. The former is cardinal-fire whereas the latter, watery fixed. It becomes exalted in Capricorn. Its positive side is correctly reflected in Aries and passive in Scorpio. It is a planet of push, courage,

natural catastrophes on a large scale, which are beyond repair. Great fires in London and Bombay in the late 19th century and the recent Panshet dam breach near Poona in 1961 are some of the typical examples of this conjunction.

Nakshatra Positions

Sign	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neutral
Aries	Krittika	Aswini	Bharani
Taurus	Mrig	-	-
Gemini	Punarvasu	Ardra	-
Cancer	-	Pushya-	-
Leo	Uttara	Ashlesha	Purva
Virgo	Chitra	Magna	Hasia
Libra	-	Swati	Vishakha
Scorpio	Vishakha	Anuradha	Jyestha
Sagittarius	Uttarashadha	-	Moola
Capricorn	Uttarashadha	-	Shravan
Aquarius	Dhanishta	Shatataraka	-
Pisces	Purva Bhadrapada	Uttara Bhadrapada	Revati

Jupiter

The Greatest Benefic
(Punarvasu, Vishakha, Purva Bhadrapada)

Since antiquity Jupiter is considered to be the greatest benefic. In modern times, the inclination of a person towards cheerful, jovial, optimistic and expansive ways is studied from this planet.

Astronomical Concept

It is the largest planet in the solar system. It moves round the Sun in 12 years, at a mean distance of 482 million miles. It has a diameter of 85,000 miles. It has twelve Moons or satellites, four of which are easily visible with a telescope. It is still doubtful whether there is any life on Jupiter. It usually brings fine weather and raises the barometer.

Characteristics

Jupiter is jovial owing to the fact that it renders sociability, hope, ambitions, benevolence, veneration, compassion, justice, honesty, spirituality and religious bent of mind.

With the development of the science of psychology in the 19th and the 20th century, a number of doctors and psychologists indulged in astrology with a view to determining the ego and the

higher mental plane of an individual. Jupiter indicates a person's general ability to grow in physical, mental and moral ways, his urge to expand his knowledge of the world and its wisdom and to gain success and opportunities for doing so (Modern Text Book of Astrology).

Signs

It rules the fiery yet mutable sign Sagittarius and the second mutable watery sign, Pisces, the lordship of which has gone recently to dreamy Neptune. It gets exaltation in Moon's own sign, Cancer.

In fiery signs, viz., Aries, Leo and Sagittarius, Jupiter renders fine self-expression, and self-assertion. Jupiter induces concrete and tangible ideas in Taurus, Virgo, Capricorn, and abstract thoughts in Airy signs.

Field of Activities

Jupiterian interests are mainly seen in popular enterprises, in matters related to lawyers, judges, bankers, brokers, physicians, philanthropists, charitable or benevolent and educational societies or institutions. It has much to do with sports, hunting, athletics and fondness for animals.

Housewise

In the first house, it renders a jovial disposition, prudent and noble nature, logical, broad mind, confidence and determination. In the second, it denotes gains through law, banking, religion education, literature etc. In the third, it derives benefits through education, literary writings, publications and neighbours.

In the fourth house, it favours with land, possessions, good status and popularity towards the end of life. If it is in the 5th, it enhances luck, children, entertainment of high order. In the 6th, it indicates gains and profits through service, either social or general, success through domestic animals, poultry etc. In the 7th house, it gives a partner of good understanding and of a benevolent and religious nature. In the 8th, it is favourable for study of occultism and mysticism, and gives peaceful and

natural death. The ninth is its own house, and hence it helps to acquire a unique position in legal or religious and educational fields; easy publicity, travel abroad, interest in international affairs. In the 10th, outstanding position in life and contacts with dignitaries and indicates social, political and financial success. Good friends, relations with VIPs, bankers are some of the main features, if it is placed in the 11th. If Jupiter happens to be in the 12th, it renders success in hospitals, public institutions etc.

A few conjunctions

The Sun-Jupiter conjunction is a potent benefic aspect second to none. Simplicity is its charm. It betokens literary, religious, scientific and philosophical professions. The late Pt. S. D. Satavalekar had this conjunction. The Jupiter-Moon conjunction renders a sympathetic attitude. In Indian astrology, it is considered to be a fortunate and auspicious conjunction for all types of 'Muhurtis'.

The Jupiter-Mercury conjunction, although considered good for intelligence by Western thinkers, is held by Eastern thinkers otherwise as they are not mutual friends. My experience is the same. So also the Jupiter-Venus combination. It gives only grace of expression. Jupiter-Mars being both optimistic, the conjunction does not favour the middle path says Mr. Carter. This conjunction is found in the horoscopes of President Charles De Gaulle and Mahatma.

The Jupiter-Herschel combination renders a forceful, magnetic personality and an unconventional mind. Jupiter-Saturn brings gloomy atmosphere. Jupiter-Neptune is a good but passive and repressive configuration.

Various characteristics of Jupiter in brief, are indicated. It is wrong to presume that it bestows always good qualities. If afflicted, the good qualities are reduced considerably. Besides it is not considered auspicious for Taurus, Libra and Capricorn ascendants.

Nakshatra Positions

Sign	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neutral
Aries	Krittika	Bharani	Aswini
Taurus	Krittika/Mriga	Bharani	Rohini
Gemini	Punarvasu	Ardra	—
Cancer	Punarvasu	Ashlesha	Pushya
Leo	Uttara	Purva	Magha
Virgo	Chitra	—	Hasa
Libra	Vishakha	Swati	—
Scorpio	—	Jyeshtha	Anuradha
Sagittarius	Uttarashadha	Purvashadha	Moola
Capricorn	—	—	Shravan
Aquarius	Dhanishtha	Shatataraka	—
Pisces	Purva Bhadrapada	Revati	Uttara Bhadrapada



Saturn

Planet of Limitation and Cold
(Pushya, Anuradha, Uttara Bhadrapada)

Since antiquity, Saturn is considered to be the planet of evil, darkness, secrecy, loss and misfortune.

Its transit is considered very important and it leaves an indelible mark in the house and over the planet it transits. It is commonly known as *Sadesati*, when it passes over the Moon (Mind) the Sun (Prestige and health), and ascendant (General success). Hence, it is very difficult to get rid of the clutches of the *Sadesati*.

It is an impartial, harsh task master, serious, practical and conservative. Saturn is generous in giving sufferings but miserly in rendering prosperity. Really it is not so. It is very very impartial and judicious. Mythological stories lend ample testimony to Saturn's characters. It makes no distinction between God, Demons or human beings in giving pleasure and sorrow, success and failure, fame or infamy, riches and poverty, etc. Its characteristic is 'distributive justice.'

Let us discuss its transit over each of the planets and houses.

Over Planets

While transiting the radical Sun, it is harmful to the health of the native and his father, creates prejudice among those in authority, brings about loss of position or status or even upsets business. In its second round in life, it indicates retirement from service or business.

Venus is another friend of Saturn. When it transits over the planet of love, it brings temporary isolation or departure or separation from intimate relatives, especially female friends and relatives. It brings about scandals. If both happen to be auspicious, it is excellent for financial gains and earning reputation and fame.

Its transit over Jupiter is not considered bad. Financial gains are anticipated. It is best for religious or legal work.

Its transit over Herschel is as bad as that of Mars. Disputes, quarrels, loss of reputation or sudden defamation are the chief traits of the transit.

Neptune being a planet of confusion, its transit over Neptune brings confusion and isolation. The native gets into seclusion mysteriously. If badly affected, it creates suicidal tendencies or tempts a man to do criminal acts secretly. Its transit over Pluto is, in my opinion, worse than that of Mars or Herschel. Its devastation is beyond imagination or calculation. Its effects are usually visible in mundane aspects rather than individual charts.

Housewise

The passing of Saturn in the first house is of vital importance. It brings patience, endurance and a careful frame of mind. In short, it brings a mind to a state of introspection. During the transit of Saturn in the first house of India, in Capricorn in 1962-64, it removed the complacency of Indian leaders and brought home the precious understanding that an independent country always needs a well-equipped and trained army to safe-

guard its strategic boundaries. England was facing an unusual situation in view of Saturn's passing in its own sign Aries in 1969-70, or the first house. If the ascendant happens to be Taurus, Libra, Gemini, Capricorn or Aquarius, the evil aspect of transits is less powerful. On the contrary, it renders excellent opportunities to the native to build up his career and status on a sound footing.

Its transit in the second house means restrictions on wasteful expenditure. At the same time it creates financial anxieties and worries. The devaluation of the Indian rupee in 1966 is a glaring example of the transit of Saturn in the second house. It is equally bad for domestic happiness. Its transit in the third house brings gravity and thoughtfulness and creates interests in mystic subjects. The fourth house transit forces the native to take interest in domestic matters. If it is favourable, it enhances worldly success including owning landed property. If unfavourable, reverse actions cannot be ruled out.

For Taurus and Libra ascendant, Saturn's transit in the 5th house is considered as benefic since it gives profit in speculation, welfare of children and affection and success in examinations. To other ascendants, it causes disappointments, breaking of attachments, frustration in love and losses in speculation.

The sixth house is the house of disease and enemies. It causes depression and some physical ailment. During the transit of Saturn, dietary control is required to be observed.

Saturn's transit in the seventh, if good, strengthens conjugal ties, cementing true unions, soaring ambitions. Hitler, leader of Nazism was tempted to declare war in 1939 against France. He had Libra ascendant and Sun-Mars. Mercury and Venus in the 7th house and Saturn was transiting in the same house in 1939.

Any planet in the 8th and its transit therein is always considered inauspicious. The ninth house transit brings disputes in foreign matters or legal troubles or complications in partnership. If it is auspicious, it creates philosophical and religious tendencies and indicates foreign travel and success in worldly matters.

Saturn in the tenth house is considered to be best but some ancient astrologers have pointed out that it gives rise only to a fall. This rule may be considered as valid, if Saturn is afflicted by conjunction or square aspect with Mars or the Sun. In usual transit it heightens prestige temporarily, but ultimately brings sorrow. This hint or warning may be kept in mind especially by persons born with Scorpio or Leo rising on ascendant. Hitler was in full swing when Saturn was transiting in 10th house, but when it passed over radical Sun and made square to radical Mars in 1945, he met with misfortune. Similar was the case of Napoleon.

False friendship or bad companionship, deceptive promises and frustration of hopes and aspirations are the result of the transit of Saturn in the 11th house.

The transit of Saturn is not auspicious in the twelfth house. It gives warning of future calamities. It forewarns to review the past, act cautiously in the present and assess the future, wisely.

Nakshatra Positions

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Gemini	Ardra	—	Punarvasu
Cancer	Pushya-Ashlesha	—	—
Leo	Purva	Uttara	Magha
Virgo	—	Chitra	Hasta
Libra	Swati	—	Vishakha
Scorpio	Jyestha	Anuradha	—
Sagittarius	Purvashadha	Uttarashadha	Moola
Capricorn	—	Dhanistha	Shravan
Aquarius	Shatataraka	—	Purva-Bhadrapada
Pisces	Revati	—	Uttara-Bhadrapada



Herschel

Freedom, Revolution and Change

Every human being likes change and loves individual freedom and that of the society in which he lives.

Some are fortunate enough to enjoy it naturally, while others have to struggle for it. The understanding of this peculiar trait of human beings could be had through the study of the eccentric, revolutionary and dictatorial planet, Herschel.

Galileo's epoch-making invention made it possible to study the three planets beyond the orbit of Saturn and other objects at infinite distances. Herschel was the first to be captured by the telescope. It stimulates thinking and spreads knowledge and broadens outlook.

Herschel has its domain over all unusual, eccentric people and things. Herschel creates a strong urge to rebel for freedom and change. The changes it brings about can rarely take place without a break with the past and unlike Saturn it leaves its indelible mark in the sign and house it transits or makes history in the nation when it passes in the ruling sign of that country.

Your Herschel

In the first house or on an ascendant it indicates self-will independence, desire to make a break with the past and stand

anew an assertive expression, inability to conform to any conventions, irrespective of the fact whether such behaviour creates a pleasant or unpleasant atmosphere, for self and others. The great dramatist, George Bernard Shaw, Jagadishchandra Bose and Hitler had this planet in the ascendant.

In the second house, it influences unusual ways of earning money. In the third house, it indicates separation or strained relations with brothers and sisters. It is excellent for creative thinking, speech, writing, inventions and research study. Nobel prize-winners Albert Einstein and Rabindranath Tagore had Herschel in the third.

In the fourth, it is not conducive to pleasant and happy atmosphere at home. In the fifth, it shows scant regard for conventions and love affairs. The children may be brilliant but unusual in their behaviour. It renders brilliance in creative ability and interesting hobbies. Swami Ramarirth and well known cricketer Sir Donald Bradman had Herschel in the fifth. It causes sudden upsets in health and betokens strange ideas on cults and sects in the sixth house.

Unusual conditions in marriage or partnership are indicated if Herschel happens to be in the seventh. It is not conducive to married life if badly aspected. It is, however, excellent for dramatic or theatrical performance.

In the eighth, house, it indicates many gains through unusual ways. There is tendency to adopt unconventional ideas. It creates mystery about death and sex. In the ninth house, it stands for fine and noble expression of freedom, and sudden foreign travel is indicated. Over-excitement and revolutionary ideas are also indicated. Swatantrya-veer Savarkar and Mahatmaji had Herschel in the ninth.

Herschel in the tenth house denotes capable leadership with vision and foresight and readiness to change from the old or conventional ideas. The Late Babu Rajendra Prasad and author Jane Austen had their Herschel on the M. C. The eleventh house

Herschel is indicative of unusual interest in life, ready to join societies for good purposes and is amenable to influential acquaintances. Golwalkar Gurusji, cricketer Chandu Borde and Rajkavi Yeshwant have Herschel in the eleventh house.

Herschel in the 12th house cultivates attraction towards unusual and unobtrusive matters and quiet ways. Occulism, mysticism and spiritualism are the main attractions. Shri V. K. Krishna Menon and Dr. B. V. Raman have their Herschel in the 12th house.

Conjunctions

The Sun-Herschel combination bestows independence and authority. The native is possessed of broad vision and stability in pursuing his own ideals consciously. Conan Doyle and Luis Pasteur had this conjunction.

The Mars-Herschel conjunction is one of the powerful conjunctions but it is essential to watch the sign and house position before giving judgement. It exhibits the best power and valour in calamity. It occasionally lacks patience under stress and strain and ultimately results in nervous break-down. It is however good for explorers.

In mundane astrology it governs administration. It is a power-generator and under affliction it gives scope to rebellious and anarchic tendencies.

In 1856, Herschel was transiting over radical Jupiter in Taurus in the 5th house from the ruling sign of India-Capricorn. It had inspired the "Freedom Struggle of 1857", on a religious issue. After 84 years, in 1942, both Saturn and Herschel were transiting in Taurus over radical Jupiter and they gave a threat to the alien government to "Quit India".



Neptune

(Intuition, Dream and Foresight)

Neptune lies beyond the orbit of Saturn. It was discovered in 1848. It is responsible for various latent psychic faculties such as intuition, dreams and foresight. Being distant and hidden it could not be spotted for a long time even through telescopes, but its position was visualised and tentatively fixed by astronomers since its pull altered the regular path of Herschel. The chief characteristics of this planet are that it is formless, boundless and non-material in nature.

Study your Neptune

On ascendant it renders imagination and a dreamy mood. In the second house, it indicates easy money or its methods. The power of imagination and intuition are well reflected either in speech or writing if it is placed in the third. It is not conducive to either (1) life, or (2) happiness and correspondingly to parents, if it occupies the fourth house. In the fifth, it brings frustration and disappointment in love and progeny. In the sixth it makes the native suffer ill-health from hidden causes, such as food poisoning, drugs etc.

Dramatic and artistic ability are the main characteristics of the seventh house, especially in the cine industries if Neptune makes a good aspect with Venus. In the eighth, it facilitates understanding of the spiritual things and indicates death in sleep, or in a trance or in an unconscious state. In the ninth house, it is beneficial for

publishers, travellers and wanderers. In the tenth, it gives remarkable spontaneity and inclination towards artistic work. Through suggestive dreams it offers solutions to numerous intricate problems. In the eleventh house, it helps to procure secret help from friends when necessary. Twelfth house Neptune makes arbitrary, impartial and gives delicate expression. It indicates the probability of celibacy or bachelorhood.

Important conjunctions

Sun-Neptune produces a self-made genius with affinity for professions connected with water or the sea. The Moon-Neptune association betokens sensitiveness and is excellent for study astrology or mysticism. Mercury-Neptune gives strong memory and literary talent. The Venus-Neptune blending leads to artistic pursuits with indulgence in intoxicating drinks and drugs. Mars-Neptune favours romantic and secret love affairs. Neptune-Saturn makes a good politician with a scheme and shrewd nature. Eccentricity and self-will are the key points of the Herschel-Neptune combination. Creative faculties and subtlety of expression are the byproducts of the Jupiter-Neptune conjunction.

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Leo	Purva	Magha	Uttara
Virgo	Hasta	Chitra	—
Libra	Vishakha	—	Swati
Scorpio	Vishakha	Anuradha	Jyestha
Sagittarius	Purvashadha	Mool	Uttarashadha
Capricorn	Shravan	Dhanistha	Shatataraka
Aquarius	Purvabhadrapada	Dhanistha	—
Pisces	Revati	Uttarabhadrapada	—

Pluto

(Annihilation and Regeneration)

It is, therefore, said that the atomic age begins with the discovery of the planet. It is uncertain whether the atom would be used for total destruction or for the material well-being of mankind to bring in a millennium.

However, criticism is hurled against the correlation or presupposition that it is fictitious to presume that the upsurge of new ideas began from the date of discovery of the three extra Saturnian planets Herschel, Neptune and Pluto as suggested by certain astrologers like Margaret Hones or certain recent astrologers. The main argument is how these planets were inoperative in their influence before they were known to us or scientists. Further, critics observed that it would be reasonable or scientific to say that the discovery of these planets helped astrologers to clarify certain lacunae in their predictions.

There is some grain of truth in the criticism. At the same time it must be admitted that ceaseless efforts all the world over have rendered an impetus to rational and scientific thinking from the date of the discovery of the planets.

Two signs are assigned to each planet except the Sun and the Moon (Viz, Leo and Cancer). The three extra Saturnian planets, Herschel, Neptune and Pluto have been assigned the rulership of Aquarius, Pisces and Scorpio respectively. Still astronomers as well as astrologers are in search of one more planet and it is under study. It was located sometime back, but it is not named as yet.

After fixing the nature and sign rulership of Pluto in Scorpio, it will be easy to find out its effects on nativity as well as in mundane astrology. Margaret Hones gives the following description. " Mars is responsible for energy, heat and activation, whereas its sign Scorpio is watery, fixed yet negative. A watery element indicates a way within itself whereas its negativity appears as depth of character.

It is a curious natural phenomenon that certain things in the world are nicely developed or reshaped properly and systematically only after destruction or annihilation. Pluto, the last known planet is responsible for these peculiar traits. This planet was discovered in 1930 by the Lowell Observatory and was first called Pluto Lowell.

Atomic age

A period of 30-40 years to study and determine the nature characteristics and sign rulership is inadequate. Since the discovery of the planet much has occurred which is eruptive. That which was in the dark or bound and enclosed is violently ejected or vice versa. One instance is the development of the atom bomb in World War II which began on 3rd September 1939, and was brought to an abrupt end by an atomic bomb on Hiroshima in the second quarter of 1945.

Mr. Carter observes - " As for Pluto, it was followed by all barbarism and cruelties of Nazism, things that most men had thought of as long out-lived but which had only lain, hidden and erupted in Plutonian fashion as the planet came into our consciousness ".

"Hence the deep working, forcefulness of Pluto seems to accord with Scorpio and elimination, the ejective action of the planet seems to establish its connection with the life process which comes under Scorpio. From the bound and the hidden a new life can branch out. This is a transformation of work."

As the planet is the farthest from the Sun, nearly 40 'feet' from the Sun (one foot is equal to 9 crore miles) and it takes nearly 247 years to move around the Sun or requires 20 to 21 years in each solar sign to transit, opinions are divided among astrologers as to whether it is really effective in a personal chart. A key to understanding the ability of a person to free himself violently from what has bound him may be given by placing Pluto in the sign and house and by its strength of the chart. In ordinary day-to-day life its effects are not discernible.

However, its effects can be visualized in persons who sacrifice or devote themselves to certain researches, *yogic* observance etc., for a considerable period. The affairs of the house occupied will show the sphere in which the person directs his attention, whether started by himself or others.

Some conjunctions

The Sun-Pluto conjunction always instigates a man to get rid of the old way of life and cling to a new one. Father-Son relations may not be sufficiently cordial. It is less revolutionary and destructive than Mars-Pluto or more revolutionary than Sun-Herschel. It may be secretive and explosive. Different phases or aspects of the mind are indicated when there is a Pluto-Moon conjunction.

The Jupiter-Pluto conjunction may induce new, revolutionary ideas mainly about religion, *yogic* feats or mystic, strenuous deeds! Pluto-Mercury dispels anxieties and worries easily. It may bring serious strain on nerves. Pluto-Venus may denote secretive love or affection and sudden upheavals accompanied by a new start.

Pluto-Saturn may be a typical conjunction since Saturn is planet of control and limitation whereas Pluto is assertive, secretive and combusive. It is hardly possible to imagine whether fusion of the two may bring about a favourable cohesion.

Since the discovery of the new planet the conjunction of two slow moving planets, Herschel and Pluto, had occurred Virgo once in October 1965 and twice in 1966. Astrologer anticipated various types of results to occur in the world. Prop Raphael felt that new ideas or a new phase might occur due to conjunction. The new phase might be due to fusion of Capitalism or Communism and this new 'ism' might prevail upon world.

Another Indian Astrologer of repute expected some pandemics for diseases like T. B. or cancer. I personally predicted 'Bharat Jyoti' of December 1965: "World War cannot be apprehended. Atomic weapons are likely to be used by the nations for defence." While describing the other side of the conjunction I had stated, "Some disastrous after-effects of the previous explosion tests of atom bombs like fall-out, food contamination etc. might come to light." In addition, I had indicated that countries ruled by Virgo, Pisces would be greatly affected.

I have discussed the above at greater length only because none of us was accurate in the predictions to the extent expected. The probable reasons for it may be (1) the nature and rulership of the planet is required to be watched for some more; and (2) Saturn, the planet of limitation, was in opposition to the conjunction all the while. It might have arrested the effects.

One thing is certain that Pluto as the planet responsible for the dawn of Atomic Age appears to be correct. Due to fusion of Herschel-Pluto the number of nations with Nuclear powers is increasing day by day. Next to Russia and America two more nations, France and China, are added to the list.

Pluto-Neptune is another unique conjunction which will lead to both confusion and destruction.

From the above discussion, it should not be construed that I am in any way trying to establish that it is only after the discovery of the planets that they started functioning. The planets so far unknown and hidden were already there, but human intellect has succeeded in discovering their exact location with scientific precision and mathematical accuracy. It would be ridiculous to suggest that the law of gravitation started its operation in the Universe only after its discovery by Newton. No human being can add to or subtract from whatever is in existence; what we do is merely to establish a link between cause and effect and judge its utility or futility from empirical experience over a period of countless decades !



The Nodes

The Nodes of the Moon are the points in the ecliptic where it passes from south to north latitude and the reverse. The ascending node is called the Dragon's head or *Rahu* and the descending node, the Dragon's Tail or *Ketu*. Western astrologers consider that they have the same nature as Jupiter and Saturn, respectively. Indian astrologers treat them on a par with Saturn and Mars, respectively. The latter view appears to be more acceptable.

In Indian astrology, significantly in mythological stories, they have been treated as Demons causing eclipses of the Sun and the Moon. In order to relieve both the lights from the eclipses, people have been advised to observe some religious rites, fasts and to offer some articles, viz, old clothes, foodgrains, etc. to the poor. This superstition has undergone change since the advent of scientific thinking explaining the phenomena of the eclipses. The fact remains that some contamination of food and a rapid change in the weather conditions actually take place during the period of the eclipse, as well as before and after. This phase has been known as the *Vedha*, *Spansh* and *Moksha*. For certain religious purposes the total duration of the eclipse is known as the *Parvakala*.

The Nodes, Rahu and Ketu, transit in one single sign in one and a half years.



Rahu

(Ardra, Swati and Shatataraka

age of 48. It makes the self-made man. In the 11th house it gives undesirable company and also gains through unusual means. In the 12th it affects eye-sight and also creates skin disease below the ankle.

Some combinations

The Sun-Rahu conjunction means eclipse, and it is most undesirable. It brings not only physical handicaps, but also loss of honour. The Moon-Rahu combination denotes mental worries. Mercury-Rahu conjunction indicates either skin diseases or brain troubles. Venus-Rahu brings some handicaps in marital status. Mars-Rahu is a most inauspicious combination so far as health is concerned. Jupiter-Rahu brings obstacles in progeny. Saturn-Rahu if not well-placed is inauspicious for all purposes.



Rahu house-wise : In the ascendant it makes a man obstinate and also crazy. In airy signs it gives better results than in earthy or fiery signs. It creates dental disorders with an unusual facial expression. In the second house it denotes some speech and eye defects. Some complications are also created in acquiring ancestral property. In the third house, it signifies birth in or near a religious resort, and also indicates hardships till the age of 25.

In the fourth house it brings obstacles for education. In the fifth house some deformities are observed in children. In the case of women, it indicates some menstrual troubles. In the sixth house, it deprives a person of rightful position and gains. In the seventh house, it causes delay in marriage and some disturbances in matrimonial affairs.

In the eighth house, it gives rise to prolonged sickness. Death due to snake-bite is usually attributed to this. In the 9th house, it renders good publicity, but brings involvement in litigation. In the 10th house it is considered as most auspicious, but it brings the fortune only in the later period of life, significantly from the

Ketu

(Ashwini, Magha, and Moola)

Housewise: In the ascendant it makes a man learned and also indicates some tendencies towards religion and philosophical thought. It also creates some denial, troubles. In the 2nd house it symbolises some peculiarities about the grand-father. In the 3rd house, it renders happiness from brothers and sisters.

In the 4th house, the longevity of the mother is good. In the 5th, 9th and 12th houses it creates religious tendencies. In the 7th house, it indicates a handsome companion with some defects, with a possibility of second marriage. In the 10th house, frequent changes in vocation are indicated. In the 11th house, good friendship and stable financial position are indicated.

The combination of Ketu with other planets should be more or less identical in the manifestation of results on the same lines as Rahu. Readers are requested to study both the nodes very carefully and apply their effects in the individual charts for predictive purposes.



Placement of Planets

(Their importance)

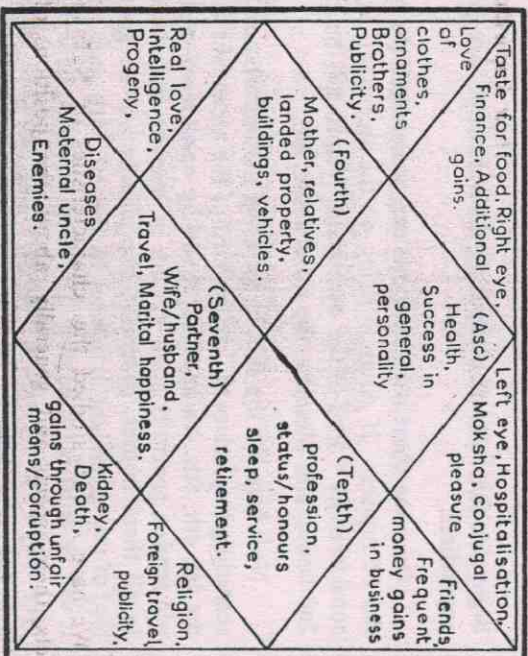
We have so far studied the characteristics of Nakshatras, planets, their aspects and generally about the positions of the planets in the 12 houses (*Bhavas*).

As a member of society, every person has to perform various roles in his day-to-day life in various capacities. In his family relations, the person may be either a brother/sister, son/daughter, father/mother, and subordinate to some and superior to others. Likewise, the planets assume certain positions in the chart, especially when placed in the house wherein they manifest certain effects according to the lordship of the house assigned to them. Their functions vary according to the house occupied. Before turning to the subject proper, it would be fruitful to study minutely the various aspects of each of the houses as have been described from time to time.

Twelve houses

The ascendant, or the first house, indicates the personality of the individual, physical structure and texture, his ego, general health, his nature, and the degree of overall success he or she is destined to achieve in the course of the voyage of life. In addition to the sign on the cusp, the student should study the

Twelve Houses and their Significance



Nakshatra and the Navamansh, in addition to the planet. This will help one to arrive at a better and more precise conclusion.

The second house signifies speech or voice (vak), throat, eye (right) (Netra), domestic comforts in general (kutumba-also), finance and money gains through hobbies and pastime activities. Indian astrologers judge the individual's taste for food (ashana).

The third house denotes brothers/sisters and their relations, journey, mode of writing, inclination towards ornaments (in case of ladies) and clothes (in the case of both sexes). General mental outlook, pessimistic, or optimistic, can also be assessed from this house and the planets placed therein.

The fourth house suggests well-being of the mother, domestic surroundings, landed property including agricultural investment and buildings, psychological bent of mind (manoguna).

The fifth house points out all things that the native gets right from birth. The intellectual status and luck are the main attributes of this house. In middle-age, the prospects of progeny can be measured from this house. This house is, therefore, described as the house of legacy of rebirth (*Purva-sanchit*).

The sixth house is responsible for enemies and sicknesses. The health troubles may be due to abdominal irregularities. The well-being of the maternal uncle can also be determined from this house.

All things concerning wife, partner, travels (inland) and external sex organ and conjugal happiness may be seen from the 7th house.

The eighth house is indicative of diseases that may erupt at the time of death. Financial gains through unfair and illegal means such as corruption, etc., can be judged from this house. Internal sex organs and matters relating to them should be assessed from this house. In astrology, it has been advised that the fifth, seventh and eighth houses should be studied concurrently to indicate the prospects of the progeny. This is more or less applicable to the horoscopes of women rather than men. These three houses are inter-related.

The ninth house is considered auspicious for religion, status, fruitful contacts, elevation of status, popularity and easy luck, foreign travel with honours, etc.

Profession, status in service, manners of dealings should be assessed from the tenth house. Indian astrologers have added that the comforts of sleep (*nidra*), peaceful or otherwise, should be reckoned from this house. There is much meaning in it. In short all activities of an individual mostly outside the house may be considered from this house.

The eleventh house should be taken into account for considering the friends (good or otherwise), fluctuating money gains, etc. The more the planets in this house, the more fancies will be cultivated for financial gains. Hence, it has been indicated in the

subsequent chapters that an individual having good planets in this house should aspire for business rather than service. Club or social activities are also significantly understood from this.

The twelfth house is meant for expenses and the final end of life, whether one can attain '*moksha*' or not can be judged from this house. Auspicious planets are indicative of virtues, whereas inauspicious planets create lust or greed for material welfare or success. This judgement should be taken as a result of the study of the map as a whole. In addition to this, imprisonment, resorting to hospital treatment and conjugal relationship with a woman other than the legitimate wife can also be assessed well from this house.

Classification

The 1st, 4th, 7th and 10th houses are called as 'Angular' or in Indian astrology they are termed as 'Kendras'. The 2nd, 5th, 8th and 11th are reckoned as succedent. The 3rd, 6th and 12th are known as cadent.

In Indian astrology, the 1st, 5th and 9th, then 10th and 4th houses are considered auspicious. The 6th, 8th and 12th are not considered good, since they bring some hindrances or *Arishtas*. The 2nd and 7th houses are *marakas*, they create unusual lust towards sex (woman) and money (*dhan*) and they bring obstacles in the final goal of human life, i. e. Moksha. The 11th house also creates enormous love towards money and undesirable friendship. The 3rd is considered as inimical.

Placement and lordship of planets

The more serious students should try to appreciate the exact approach to all the 12 houses in the chart to be able to understand the subject further. They should try to commit to memory all these aspects to be able to predict precisely the future of the individual.

It is presumed that the student is by now well-versed in erecting the chart of an event of any place in the world. For

beginners, the rules of computing the horoscope are given in the appendices.

Once the chart is erected, one can understand the signs in all the 12 houses. If Aries is rising on the ascendant, Mars will be considered as 'lord of the ascendant, Venus will be lord of the 2nd house, and Mercury, the third house, etc."

Now here lies the skill in assessing the importance of planets according to placement. If the lord of the ascendant is placed in the 1st, 4th, 5th, 9th and 10th, it will be considered auspicious. It will render, generally good results in transits and dasha periods. In all these houses, generally, the planets will be good. If the lord of the ascendant is placed in the 6th, 8th and 12th houses, it will be most inauspicious. They lose strength, however powerful they may be in signs and Rashis. They indicate some kind of worries and anxieties of the house in which they are placed. So far as the lords of the 2nd and 7th houses are concerned, they should not, as far as possible, in the same house. They affect the other planets, if they are in conjunction. In regard to the 3rd and 11th houses, the lords will not be so inauspicious but will be less powerful.

On the other side, the lords of the 6th, 8th and 12th houses, if they occupy auspicious houses, reduce the favourable aspect of that house. For example, suppose Taurus is rising on the ascendant, and Jupiter is placed therein, it will create more harm to the body and health. If Scorpio is rising and Mercury is placed, then the character and conduct of the person concerned will be questionable. Likewise, students should consider the placement of the planets for predictive purposes.

The Table given in the chapter under "Prognostication" can now be easily understood.

While summarising the whole discussion, it can be stated in brief as follows :-

(1) Lords of the first, fifth, ninth, tenth and fourth in the same houses should be considered auspicious.

(2) Lords of the sixth, eighth and twelfth houses in the above houses shown in (1) should be considered inauspicious.

(3) Lords of the second and seventh in the same houses should be considered inauspicious for marital relations.

(4) Lords of the houses in the houses opposite to them (i.e. in the seventh house) are likely to prove detrimental, viz. Leo ascendant for the Sun in the seventh in Aquarius should be reckoned as detrimental.

(5) Lastly, the Nakshatra position of the planets should be taken into account while finally determining the auspicious or inauspicious nature of the planets.



The secret of accurate prediction consists in a thorough and unbiased understating and interpreting of the precise relationship between two or more planets, which is popularly termed 'aspect'.

It is true that a single planet, in sign, house-wise and Nakshatra or fixed stars can not be properly understood. It lacks manifestation in its real content unless it comes into effective contact with one or more planets. If the association the planet is friendly it will yield better results; if inauspicious or inimical, the result will be otherwise and beyond imagination. This can be explained more readily in our daily life. Friendship with good persons in our life leads to something worthwhile but the company of undesired persons often brings about scandal and social degradation.

Hindu view

It is a popular belief that the good and evil planets affect each other in various ways. This is known as Drishiti or equivalent to aspects, but this view does not appear to be logically acceptable. All planets cast their influence on the opposite house and planets. Some planets, viz. Jupiter, Saturn and Mars are delegated special Drishitis. e.g. Mars influences the 4th and

8th house, Saturn, the 3rd and the 10th house and Jupiter, the 5th and 9th in addition to the seventh house from the houses occupied by them. The rest of the planets have some fractional *Drishits*. I do not wish to maintain that such a theory does not contain any astrological genesis, but it needs convincing explanation before it can be accepted unreservedly.

Our ancients were expert in understanding the aspects between the Sun and the Moon properly and these have been scientifically interpreted in terms of *Tithis*. The observance of fasts has been advised on inauspicious aspects between the two luminaries such as *chaturthi*, *Ashtami*, *Ekadash*, when the angular distance between them 48, 90 and 130. On *Tritiya*, *Panchami*, *Navami*, an angular distance of 36, 60 and 120 degrees is considered auspicious for enjoyment of dainty food and sacred ceremonies. The same view does not hold good in respect of the other planets. Some astrologers therefore, interpret the retrograde planet in a very funny way when they do not find a proper astrological solution. To quote an instance, it may be pointed out that, if Saturn is retrograde, in the ascendant, it will cast its *drishiti*, in the natural course, to the third house. However, if anything is wrong about the eleventh house, these astrologers will maintain that Saturn has cast its *Drishiti* on the 11th house rather than the third house. I do not understand any logic in such interpretations of the planetary aspects.

Western view

The Western theory of aspects is found to be more mathematical and logical. They do not make any discrimination so far as aspects between two or more planets are concerned. Any aspect will be evaluated on its own merits.

For a long time, aspects were classified according to good or bad nature, or in astrological terms auspicious or otherwise. Recent thinkers have grouped them under three heads, viz. Harmonious, Inharmonious and Conjunction. This three-fold system is usually found to be reasonably correct.

After dividing the circle by 3, 6 and 12, we get trine, sextile and semi-sextile and all of them are known as Harmonious. If the circle is further divided by 2, 4 and 8 the aspects formed thereby will be in general, inharmonious. Conjunctions are altogether a class by themselves.

Students of astrology should first try to understand the effects of major aspects. The broad principles will be as follows :—

(1) Conjunction is a powerful configuration. It reacts more effectively on the individual and his environment.

(2) Opposition will, in general be less active. Persons born with such two or more combinations will not necessarily be successful in spite of their persistent struggle for any objective or avowed aims. There may be frequent changes leading to instability throughout life.

(3) Squares are likely to incite or excite some planets to react against the individuals or circumstances till they achieve success in their pursuits. As a matter of fact, they exhaust themselves when they reach the pinnacle of glory or win over their opponents.

(4) The remaining aspects in general bring about reasonable wish fulfilment with comparative ease.

There are many complications in this system. Yet students will be able to skilfully interpret the aspects between two planets through the medium of *Nakshatras* which throw more effective light on many hidden phenomena.

For further studies, students are advised to read the book 'Aspects', by C. E. O. Carter.



Impact of Retrograde Planets

Unusual significance has been attached to Retrograde planets in astrology for predictive purposes.

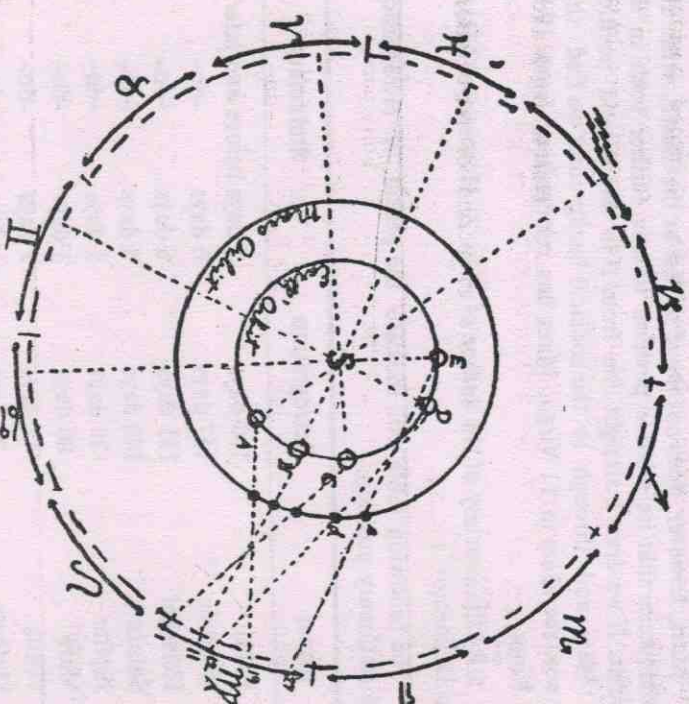
Retrogradation

In the ephemeris, when a planet becomes retrograde, it is shown as R and when it becomes direct it is marked as D, and it is considered as 'stationary' when it is neither moving direct nor retrograde.

Every planet mostly moves in an ellipse. No two planets perform a complete revolution in the same period of time. Owing to variations in their motion there is continued change in the zodiac as viewed from the earth, viz, one planet overtaking and passing another, thus apparently appearing to be stopping and beginning to move backward. This apparent stopping is termed as 'stationary' and the apparent backward motion is called 'Retrograde.' No Planet actually becomes stationary or retrograde. It is only by false appearance caused by combined motions of the planets and the earth and their positions related to the Sun. This can be compared to the trees and bushes that appear to be running when we are in a moving train, though in reality the objects in the vicinity of a running train are stationary.

Impact of Retrograde Planet :

It is illustrated at Fig. (1)



The diagram shows the actual relative position of the Earth, the Sun and Mars at the beginning of 1933.

The inner circle represents the orbit of the Earth. The second circle represents the orbit of Mars. The outer broken line circle represents the Zodiac.

On the 31st of January, 1933, the Earth is in position and from our point of vision we see the Sun in 11 Aquarius. We see Mars (represented by a small solid black dot) 19 Virgo.

By the end of February, 1933, both Earth and Mars have moved forward in their respective orbits, and the Sun is seen against the background of 10 Pisces.

Mars, however, does not move so fast as the Earth, with the consequence that its relative position is seen further back in the Zodiac. If we draw a straight line from B to the second position of Mars and through to the zodiacal background we find that we now see Mars in 11 Virgo. Mars has retrogressed from 19 to 11 Virgo.

(By the courtesy of the author of A to Z Horoscope Maker and Delineator)

The following table will indicate the period of retrogradation and stationary position;

planet	Retrogradation	Stationary
1. Pluto	160 days	7 days before and later
2. Neptune	157 days	6 days -do-
3. Herschel	155 days	6 days -do-
4. Saturn	140 days	5 days -do-
5. Jupiter	120 days	5 days -do-
6. Mars	80 days	3 days -do-
7. Venus	42 days	2 days -do-
8. Mercury	24 days	1 day -do-

Note : Every year, when 5 slow moving planets come in opposition aspect to the Sun, they become retrograde.

Prediction

Ancient Indian astrologers had attached much importance to retrograde planets. They considered that retrograde planets are as effective as benefic ones for judging their effects.

However, it was not explained by them how they become effective. Western astrologers, especially a few German Scientists and astrologers have explained this phenomenon on a scientific basis. They support their observations with statistical data and show how they influence nations and their nationals. They evolved a new theory called 'Planetary Distances'.

Western, as well as Eastern thinkers have agreed that retrograde planets are equally forceful in dispensing bad or good

effects. Mars in the 6th house, irrespective of its sign, is usually considered benefic as well as malefic. Benefic in a sense that it destroys enemies and malefic only because it creates intestinal or abdominal troubles.

It is my own experience that retrograde planets do create some disharmony or deficiency. The following 4 broad basic rules will considerably assist and enlighten further studies :

- 1) A retrograde planet creates deficiency in one of the aspects of the house in which it is placed.
- 2) A retrograde planet destroys the 'karakara' of that house of which it becomes the lord.
- 3) A stationary planet diminishes the qualities of the house in which it is placed.
- 4) The power of the conjunct planet with the retrograde one is usually increased.

Example

In one of my friends' horoscope, retrograde Jupiter in Pisces in the 7th house has helped him to get a beautiful wife but within a couple of years the happy marriage dissolved and unfortunately ended in a divorce.

In every two years Mars becomes retrograde in one single sign for a period of not less than 4 to 6 months. During this period, the nations and countries coming under the influence of Mars create unique history in the world.

The utility or the futility of this conception would be evident to students of astrology who are advised to keep a close watch on the future events and verify the correctness of the above statement.



Pars = Fortunae

Housewise Influence

In the ascendant, it indicates gains and success by one's own industry and labour if benefic planets form an auspicious aspect with it. If Mars and Saturn are unfavourable, its favourable aspects are reduced to a considerable extent. In the second house, it indicates happiness and gains through property and business. Some astrologers are of the opinion that it is helpful to attain power and domination. In the third, it denotes profitable journeys and success in intellectual work. It is good for thinkers and evangelists.

If it happens to be in the fourth, it is helpful for gain through lands, or products of the earth, such as minerals, metals etc. It favours happy family conditions or gains by inheritance or stable patrimony. In the fifth, it presages illustrious progeny and gains through love, speculation and investments. In the sixth, it is helpful in getting success through aunts or uncles (especially maternal) and animals, but it creates impatience and diffidence. In the seventh, it ensures fortune through marriage, women and partnership, success over rivals, and triumph in competition.

In the eighth house, it indicates strained financial conditions. If unaffected, it is useful for gains from the deceased and use of other's money. In the ninth, it is profitable for getting success in religious, educational and spiritual fields. Foreign business or acquaintances will be helpful in finding fortune.

In the tenth, it promotes 'lucky' events to elevate the position of the native or get honour and fame without much trouble or the native gets a comfortable house. In the eleventh, it presages fortune through friends, uninterrupted monetary gains. In the twelfth house, it betokens gains through quiet and secret sources, and if afflicted, it brings inferiority complex.

It is not correct to set aside the influence and importance of the imaginary yet magnetic point to judge various aspects in human life. Its judicious use in day-to-day life, especially for businessmen who always move in very unstable and fluid circum-

It is a magnetic as well as an imaginary point in the horoscope. It is known as *Dhima-saham* or is popularly recognised as '*Laxmi Chinha*.'

The part of fortune or Pars-Fortunae is not a planet. It is a place in the horoscope which is shown by the symbol. It is calculated by adding together the longitudes of the ascendant and the Moon and subtracting from the total longitude of the Sun. It is a point in the horoscope equidistant from the ascendant as the Moon is from the sun at the time of birth. Its formula will be $P. F. = ASC + Moon - Sun$. It has to be treated on a par with other planets and its influence can be judged from the house and sign it occupies in the horoscope.

As its name indicates it is usually considered to represent fortune or worldly success. In Airy signs, it denotes fame thorough literary or artistic ability. The desire for self expression will be prominent in Earthy signs and it shows a plodding nature. Taurus produces success through fine arts, Virgo, chemists or printers, and Capricorn medicos. In watery, it produces successful occultists and in Fiery signs pioneers in different walks of life.

stances, is of vital importance to fix their calendar or programme of investments.

I very distinctly remember an instance in which, judging from his Pars-Fortunae located in the house of providence, i. e. the 5th house in full conjunction with Venus, I had predicted telegraphically that inasmuch as the Moon and Venus were transiting over the radical Pars-Fortunae, the person concerned was bound to get thousands of rupees through a mere stroke of fortune, and to my astonishment, the man while wandering through the Bombay streets had found an unclaimed sealed envelope without any marks containing ten currency notes of a thousand rupees each.

Similar instances could be quoted where people had rare fortunes through marriage or in foreign countries, and those who have such an experience may very well ascertain the correctness of this observation by correlation of the events with their individual horoscopes.

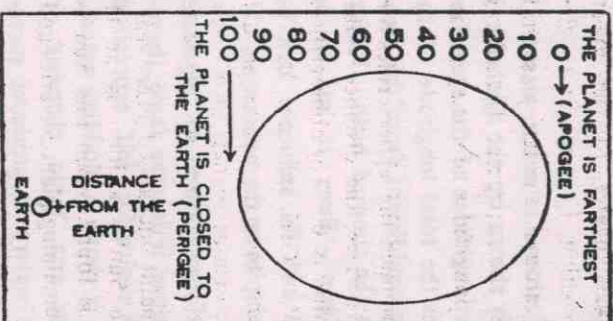


Planetary Distances

The world is vivid and human nature is complex. The behavioural pattern of every individual is as distinct as his face.

All known principles of either logic or psychology could not offer a solution to the complexities of human nature. It is ultimately the science of astrology which provides a key to unveil the complex behavioural patterns.

Recent psychologists like Dr. Jung, Dr. Freud, Dr. Mac Dougal laid much emphasis on behavioural side of the man. Psychological concepts were, however, found to be inadequate to explain the intricacies of human nature. Naturally, some of the psychologists had to take recourse to the horoscope for splitting up various personalities add by giving them names as Martian, Juptarian, Saturnian, etc.



Indian scholars have discovered a number of valuable principles of motions of the planets. One of the theories enunciated by them is the theory of Retrograde (*Vakra*) planets, as already explained.

Although it is to the credit of the ancient Indian astrologers that they discovered different astronomical phenomena, no proper justification was possibly given by them. About 10 to 15 years back, Mr. Ebertin, a German scholar gave a tangible explanation to this old phenomenon on a scientific basis.

The Theory

It is an accepted principle that planets do not move in a circular way, but in an elliptical path along their respective orbits. A circle has two, central points. For visualising the orbits of planets in relation to the Earth, as shown in the figure, it is necessary to note that those planets nearer to the lower centre of the Earth are in perigee position, i. e. nearer to the Earth whereas the planets revolving around the upper central part are always away from the earth, i. e., apogee. The effects or intensity of the planets are more powerful when they are in perigee, than while in apogee.

Mr. Ebertin Verlag in Aalen, compiled the ephemerides for the purpose. When the planets are in perigee, the distance value is 100 and when in the apogee, the value is 0. The abbreviation used for this system is either E. W. (Germany) or D. V. (English). For the application of the theory, readers should know the salient characteristics of the various planets as already indicated.

The distance value of the Sun remains unchanged every year. The greatest is the D. V. when the Sun's position is at 11 Capricorn, while the greatest apogee is found when the Sun is in 11 Cancer. The D. V. of the remaining planets varies and will have to be found out with reference to the ephemeris.

Nativity

Schreiwies was the first to observe that the planets with the highest D. V. in a particular nativity succeeds in life with

fewer difficulties while with low D. V. have to struggle hard. With this background I may give some illustrations of the utility of D. V. in respect of well-known personalities in and outside India.

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi : Sun (85) power, Jupiter (84) success Saturn (67) restraint, Mars (44) energy.

Nikita Krushchev : Mars (75), Uranus (96), Venus (91), popularity.

Harold Wilson : Mars (93), Saturn (81), Herschel (78).

Subhash Chandra Bose : Mars (93) courage, Mercury (91) intelligence, Neptune (86) mystery.

Garfield Sobers : Jupiter (82), Saturn (71).

Readers should appreciate that the D. V. of the planets in a horoscope a pointer to assess the prominent trends of human behaviour. The values have, however, to be interpreted in relation to the placements of planets, their aspects, sign position in the birth chart to get a comprehensive psychological picture of the human being.

The Precession of the Equinoxes and Ayanamshas

The Precession of the Equinoxes is a slow westward motion of the equinoxes along the ecliptic first discovered by Hipparchus about 125 B. C. He found that the "Year of the Seasons" from solstice to solstice, as determined by the gnomon was shorter than that determined by the heliacal rising and setting of the stars (i. e. the places when certain constellations rise and set with the sun), just as if the equinox 'preced', i. e. "stepped forward" a little to meet the Sun.

It is the motion of the equator and not of the ecliptic which causes precession as is proved by the fact that the latitudes of the stars have changed but slightly in the last two thousand years, showing that the ecliptic maintains its position among the stars. On the other hand, longitudes of the stars increase continually, at a sensibly constant rate of 50" a year.

Even though the precession was known to astronomers the physical cause of this slow conical motion was not known till Newton first explained it.

Newton's Explanation

We have now to regard the earth as a material sphere, spinning rapidly round its axis, which is inclined at an angle to

the plane of the ecliptic, where obliquity of the ecliptic to the equator.

The earth is kept in its orbit by the gravitational pull of the Sun, which is situated at one of the foci of the earth's orbit which is an ellipse. Dynamics shows that the plane of the ecliptic is almost invariant, i. e. does not change with time, except a very small oscillation due to attraction of other planets on the earth. What is then precession due to?

This is explained by means of the following figure.

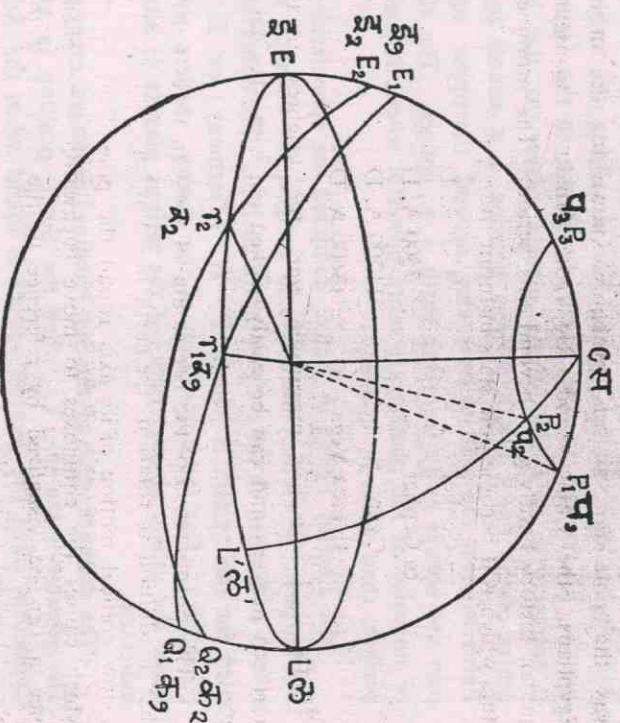


Fig. No. 1 :- Showing the precession of the equinoxes.

In the figure above, C is the pole of the ecliptic EL'L. Let γ_1 midway between E and L be the first point of Aries for year 1. Then the celestial pole is P₁ and the celestial equator is E₁ γ_1 Q₁. Due to precession of the equinoxes, the first point of Aries is slowly moving in the backward direction L γ_1 E along the Ecliptic. If γ_1 shifts to γ_2 in year 2, the celestial

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pole shifts to P_2 along the small circle $P_1P_2P_3\dots$, where CP obliquity of the ecliptic. The celestial equator assumes a new position $E_2\gamma_2Q_2$ in year 2.

The celestial pole P therefore goes round the pole of the ecliptic C , and it makes a complete cycle in a period of about 26000 years.

It will be seen that the celestial pole has not been marked with a prominent star for most part of this period of 26000 years. About 2700 B. C., the second magnitude star γ Draconis was the pole-star, as was probably known to the ancient Egyptians, the Chinese and Rig-Vedic Hindus. Conscious human history hardly goes beyond this period. The prominent stars which will become pole stars in future are :

γ Cephei	: 4500 A. D.
α Cephei	: 7500 A. D.
γ Cygni	: 11200 A. D.
Lyrae (Vega)	: 13600 A. D.

The last is a first magnitude star, the brightest in the northern heavens and can be easily picked up with the naked eye.

The phenomenon of the precession of the equinoxes tells us that in addition to rotation, the earth has another motion, viz. a slow conical motion of its axis round the pole of the ecliptic which causes the equinoxes to move backward. The phenomenon can be visualized by reference to the motion of tops played by boys (Fig No. 2).

It is a matter of common experience with those who have played with tops that when the top is thrown, spinning on the earth the axis round which the top is spinning very often is not vertical but is oblique; and it is also having a slow motion in a circle round the vertical. This last motion is precessional motion. The top may be likened to the earth, and the vertical direction of gravity corresponds to the pole of the ecliptic. The top would have fallen but for its spin.

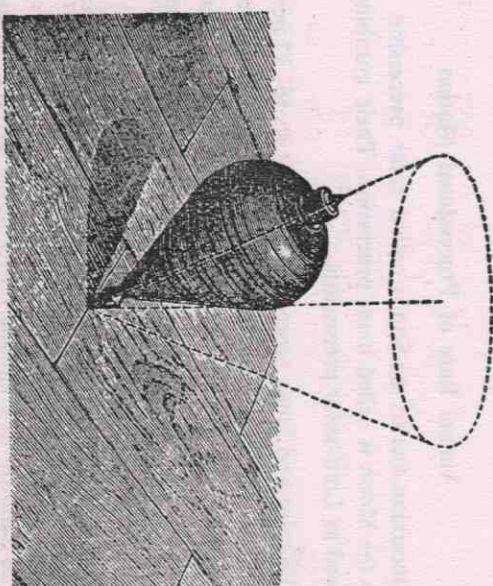


Fig. No. 2 Motion of the top : The spinning top, which is likened to the earth, causes precessional motion of its axis.

When it slows down, the top falls down; the precessional motion of the top is due to the pull exerted by the gravity.

Now turning to the earth, we see that as the first approximation, we may take it as a point of mass concentrated at the centre, and then deduce its orbit as is done in classical planetary theory. This would have been all right if the earth were homogeneous sphere. But the earth is not a sphere, but spheroid, having its polar axis shorter than the equatorial axis by 43 kms. (27 miles). There is an equatorial bulge of matter. The pull due to the Sun is now equivalent to a force in the ecliptic passing through the centre of the earth defining the orbital motion, plus a couple, which tends to turn the equator of the earth into the plane of the ecliptic. It is this couple which produces precessional motion.

Annual Rate of Precessional Motion

Precession due to the Sun is called solar precession and that due to the Moon is called lunar precession. Their combined value is termed as Luni-solar precession.

The solar and lunar precessions amount to $50''.37$ per tropical year, with a very small centennial variation. After making necessary corrections for the slight motion of the plane of the ecliptic due to the attraction of planets, the annual rate of general precession in longitude is obtained as follows :—

Rate of precession $50''.2564$ O." 0222 T per trop. year,
where T = Tropical centuries after 1900 A. D.

The nutation in longitude may amount to $17''.2$ according to different positions of the lunar node, but its effect on the annual rate of precession does not exceed $5''.8$, so that the actual precession rate per year may vary between $44''.5$ and $56''.0$.

The average rate of the annual precession is not constant; it is very slowly increasing. The annual rate for a certain epoch along with the period taken by the equinoxes to move through 1° , are however stated below

Year	Rate of precession	No. of years per degree
2000 B. C.	$49''.391$	72.89
0	49.835	72.21
1900 A. D.	50.256	71.63
2000 A. D.	50.279	71.60

Compared with the mass of the earth and its energy of rotation the disturbing force (due to the Sun, Moon and Planets) is very slight and consequently the rate of precession is very slow. If they were spherical there would be no precession. If it revolved on its axis more slowly, precession would be more rapid as it would be also if the Sun and the Moon were larger, or nearer, or if the obliquity of the ecliptic were greater, not exceeding 45° .

Ayanamsha

The problem of Ayanamsha is still a moot point among

astrologers. Most of the readers may be less familiar with this controversy.

The first point of Aries is the starting point for measuring the celestial longitudes as well as right ascensions of the celestial objects. This point of intersection of the celestial equator and the ecliptic seems to be the most convenient point for being taken as the common origin for both of the above co-ordinate systems. The celestial longitude of a heavenly body measured from this initial point is known as the tropical (or Sayana) longitude. Due to precession of equinoxes (Ayanamsha) the above V. E. point is receding back over the ecliptic at the rate of about $50''$ per year as a result of which the longitudes of the even fixed points in the heavens increasing every year at the same rate. Indian astronomy did not, however, favour the idea of fixed stars changing their longitudes and in order to stabilise the zodiac the astronomers of ancient India had taken as the origin a point which is fixed on the ecliptic, and as such is quite different from the above mentioned V. E. point. This initial point being a fixed one, the longitudes of the stars measured from this origin remain invariable for all time. The distance between this initial point and the vernal equinoctial point or in other words the tropical longitude of this initial point is called Ayanamsha, and the zodiac starting from this fixed origin is known as varyingly as the fixed zodiac, sidereal zodiac or Nirayan Zodiac. The longitude of a heavenly body measured from the above mentioned fixed initial point is known as a Nirayan longitude, so that the tropical or Sayana longitude of a point minus the amount of Ayanamsha equals the sidereal or Nirayana longitude of the same. As the V. E. point is receding back at the rate of about $50''$ per year the Ayanamsha is consequently increasing at the same rate.

The controversy, however, exists about the determining the value of Ayanamsha to be adopted vis-a-vis the zero Ayanamsha year as follows :—

There are generally three schools which advocate different Ayanamshas.

(1) *Grahlaghavi*; (2) *Raivat*; (3) *Chaitra*.

(1) *Grahlaghavi*:

Grahlaghav by Ganesh Daivadnya was a most popular treatise on mathematical astronomy and was used extensively by Indian astronomers because of the simplicity of astronomical calculations. Naturally, the system of Ayanamsha calculation given by him was used by the majority of astronomers. Ganesh Daivadnya had given Shaka 1442 as zero Ayanamsha year and 60" as annual motion of equinox (*Ayana-gati*)

Thus

$$(\text{Desired Shaka year} - 444) \times 60 = \text{Ayanamsha in degrees}$$

(2) *Raivat*:

Raivat school advocates shaka 496 as zero Ayanamsha year (when star Zata Pecium was in conjunction with vernal equinox) and 50" 2 as annual motion of equinox (*Ayana-gati*)

Thus

$$(\text{Desired Shaka year} - 496) \times 50'' \cdot 2 = \text{Ayanamsha in degrees}$$

The selection of Zeta Pecium as the starting point of the fixed zodiac is based upon the definition of fixed zodiac as given by Surya Siddhant (फेतादि ज्ञातः सूर्यः)

(3) *Chaitra*:

Chaitra School advocates 212 Shaka as zero Ayanamsha year and 50" 2 as annual motion of equinox. The starting point of the zodiac according to Chaitra school is 180" ahead of star Spica (षेष्ठा).

Thus

$$(\text{Desired Shaka} - 212) \times 50'' \cdot 2 = \text{Ayanamsha in degrees.}$$

Besides the various references have given by the followers of Chaitra school in support of the starting point advocated by them, the Ayanamshas calculated by the method come rather close to

Grahlaghava Ayanamshas which were in vogue until now and hence these Ayanamshas have been adopted by the majority of astronomers in India.

The Ayanamshas followed by me are shown in Table No. 1.

The choice for the Nirayana system is based purely on astrological grounds. In Sayana system the longitudes of both stars and planets are changing. In Nirayana system only the planets are changing their places and stars are stationary, the invariability of positions of the stars in the zodiac, which is the characteristic of the Nirayana system, has offered a great advantage to astrology.

Table showing Ayanamsha as on 1st January of every year for the last 30 years

Year	Ayanamsha	Year	Ayanamsha
1941	23.2.08	1956	23.14.55
1942	23.2.53	1957	23.15.44
1943	23.3.36	1958	23.16.30
1944	23.4.22	1959	3.17.15
1945	23.5.09	1960	23.17.54
1946	23.5.59	1961	23.18.38
1947	23.6.50	1962	23.19.23
1948	23.7.43	1963	23.20.10
1949	23.8.38	1964	23.20.58
1950	23.9.34	1965	23.21.48
1951	23.10.30	1966	23.22.40
1952	23.11.25	1967	23.23.34
1953	23.12.20	1968	23.24.29
1954	23.13.14	1969	23.25.25
1955	23.14.06	1970	23.26.21

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exposition of the complicated and moot points, though still inevitably imperfect, will provide an incentive to approach the subject with a new hypothesis, inasmuch as I have been earnestly attempting to blend together various and stray thoughts to establish relationship in different systems with a certain degree of precision. The main points which need special treatment will be : (1) planets, either auspicious or inauspicious; (.) *Gochara* (transit) (3) *Dashas*, and (4) Other systems.

Planets

So far the characteristics, nature and mutual relations of planets have been explained in the earlier part of the book. Many feel that no planet is either benefic, or malefic, but it is more than evident that each planet manifests its true and inherent qualities variously in various ways. For example, the Sun is the planet on vitality and indicates general success and paternal welfare, or otherwise. Mars, dare devil, is impetuous and irrational; whereas Saturn is very slow, melancholy shrewd and capable of endurance. From such broader principles it may be worthwhile to make two distinct teams of the planets as follows :

- (a) The Sun, Mars, Jupiter, Ketu. (Herschel),
- (b) Saturn, Mercury; Venus, Rahu (Neptune).

Note : The Moon is not included in the team since it should be judged from the association of other positions of the charts. Pluto, the recently known planet, has also been excluded from the theory since its effects in the personal chart are still controversial and its true nature is yet to be precisely estimated.

Once the students understand the distinction between the two sets of planets, further assimilation of the subject will be much easier.

Most of us might have read from various text-books that certain planets are auspicious or otherwise for certain ascendants viz., for Taurus, Venus, Saturn and Mercury bestow *Rajayogas* whereas for Pisces ascendant, Jupiter, Mars and Moon are really auspicious planets. The rest of the planets are, of course, for a particular ascendant under study, inauspicious. The theory behind these presuppositions is very simple and can be understood with ease.

There is a tide in the affairs of men
which, taken at the flood,
leads on to fortune,
omitted, all voyage of the life,
Is bound to shallows and in miseries.

Shakespeare.

So far, an attempt has been made to explain the technicalities of the chart in order to assess the general texture of the nativity, through Nakshatras, planets, their aspects, but the main issue which is the crux of the science of foreknowledge lies far ahead. The real art of prediction consists in indicating precisely periods of prosperity and adversity and when such periods could be expected. Many people very strongly believe that such judgment needs intuition, some inner voice, or some latent power of prognostication.

Numerous theories have been advocated by a number of authors in the past and will come up in the future, and still there will be some lacunae, which need further study and research. Such a process of study, by trial and error will continue for countless years till eternity ! I feel that my present

1. The lord of ascendant is always auspicious.
2. The lords of 5th and 9th, being the trine houses, are most auspicious.
3. The lord of tenth is usually good.
4. If the lord of the ascendant and the 8th house or the 6th house is the same, it should be considered as neutral for all purposes, e. g. Libra ascendant, Venus becomes the lord of ascendant and the eighth house. For Aries, Mars becomes the lord of the first and eighth houses, etc.
5. If the lords of the 4th and 5th, or the lords of the 10th and 9th, are one and the same, they bestow special Rajayogas e. g. Saturn becomes the lord of the 4th and 5th for Libra ascendant; so also for Taurus. Mars is counted as such in respect of Cancer ascendant.
6. The lords of the 3rd, 6th 11th, 8th and 12th and the 2nd and 7th are not considered good for various reasons already known to the readers.

If these principles are committed to memory, then it will be easy to understand the following table. This may serve as a guideline to correctly interpret the other two systems of Hindus, viz. *Gochara* and *Dashas*.

Table of Yoga Karaks

Lagna (Ascendant)	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neutral
Aries	Jupiter, Sun	Saturn, Venus, Rahu, Mercury	Mars, Ketu
Taurus	Saturn, Mercury	Mars, Jupiter	Venus
Gemini	Venus	Mars, Jupiter, Sun	—
Cancer	Jupiter, Mars	Mercury, Venus, Sun	—
Leo	Mars, Sun	Saturn	Jupiter
Virgo	Venus, Mercury	Mars, Jupiter	Saturn, Moon

Lagna (Ascendant)	Auspicious	Inauspicious	Neutral
Libra	Saturn	Jupiter, Mars	Venus, Sun
Scorpio	Jupiter, Sun, Moon	Saturn, Mercury	—
Sagittarius	Sun, Mars, Jupiter	Saturn, Mercury	Moon
Capricorn	Venus, Mercury	Mars, Jupiter	Saturn
Aquarius	Venus	Sun, Moon	Mars
Pisces	Mars, Moon	Saturn, Venus	Sun

Gochara

Gochara, more precisely known as transit, means motion of planets, viz. daily, monthly, yearly and so on, in a chart. Whether it is auspicious or otherwise depends on the radical strength of the planets and on the sensitive regions in the chart and its relation to other planets. Certainly, it is a most useful method of indicating event/s of some duration.

In the Indian system, the Moon or still better say its Nakshatra is considered a focal point to account for *Gochara* system. The transiting Moon is eighth from the radical one, it is reckoned as bad for health as well as for journeys, etc. If it is ninth it is good for travel, interviews, contacting VIPs etc. If it is tenth transiting Moon forms a conjunction, opposition or square aspect with radical Mars, it makes a man furious, angry, quarrelsome and disappointed, etc., whereas a good aspect, such as sextile and trine indicates that a certain individual will be courageous, intelligent and capable of doing the right thing at the right time. From such presuppositions and experience, the transits have been determined and described by various astrologers.

Like the Moon, the ascendant and the Sun are of vital importance for judging the planetary movements or *Gochara*. Normally, slow-moving planets such as Saturn, Jupiter, Rahu, Herschel and Neptune leave their indelible marks on the life of the native in regard to the house in which they are moving. If Jupiter is transiting in the fourth house and if it is good for that particular ascendant, it will help to purchase a vehicle, construct residential quarters, to make wise investment in lands, etc. If Jupiter forms a good aspect to the radical Sun, it will enhance the position and status of the individual through promotion, honour, etc. It must be borne in mind that both the radical and the transiting planets must be good according to the indications given in the table. Otherwise, the effects will be quite normal or perhaps in certain cases contrary to expectations.

In respect of the other faster planets, viz, the Moon, Venus and Mercury, the effects will be of a short duration. A transit of Venus in the third house will render quick publicity, in the 5th some good contacts with the opposite sex, in the 7th love of sports and games, in the 8th indulgence in entertainment or undesirable friendship, etc. Mercury in the 9th will create sudden proposals for travel, in the 10th honour, in the 11th earning through friends, royalty, luck in parliament or club activities, etc. In short, their effects will be of a temporary nature.

It is wrong to discard either. At times we have to strive hard for long term programme, and at that time the transit of slowmoving planets is conducive, whereas for publicity and financial gains during a week or month, the faster planets oblige us by their respective transits in particular houses.

A general description of transits of each of the planets, is outlined in the Table, below.

Table showing the probable effects of planets during transit.

Planet	Houses		Period	Result of the transit
	6, 8, 12	1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 10, 11		
Sun	Bad for health	Good in general	15 days	With Mars and Jupiter, good for status. With Saturn bad for health and position. With Mercury and Venus neutral. With Herschel and Neptune it depends.
Moon	Mental depression	Good for all purposes	2½ days	With Jupiter good. With Saturn bad. With the rest according to the nature of planets.
Venus	Bad for health and friendship	Publicity and elevated status especially in 3rd, 9th and 10th houses.	3 weeks	With Mercury, Mars and Sun generally good. With the remaining neutral.
Mercury	Mental tension	- do -	2 weeks	- do -
Mars	Sudden sickness and possible accidents	Courage, daring and good for direct action	1 month	With Sun, Jupiter, Venus good. With Saturn bad. With the rest neutral.

Saturn	Chronic and prolonged illness and disfavour	If nicely placed in the chart, it will elevate the status	2½ years	With Mercury, Venus good With Mars, Sun bad and with Jupiter neutral.
Rahu	- do -	- do -	1 year	Normally it is bad since it eclipses the planet when comes in close contact.
Ketu	- do -	-	1 year	- do -
Jupiter	Hidden sickness and worries	Generally good for all purposes	6 months	With Sun, Mars good. With the remaining neutral.
Herschel	Sudden sickness, accidents.	Courage and daring	—	With Sun, Venus, Mars, Jupiter good, but with striking and surprising changes. With the remaining depends.
Neptune	Secret worries and sickness. Difficult to detect.	It depends. Mostly creates hobbies and love towards some studies	—	It depends. Aspecting planet will have to be carefully studied before taking decision.

Note . Transit of planets in the 2nd and 11th houses bring financial gains.

Dasha System

The Hindus' dasha system is a rare and unique contribution to the science of astrology. It confirms their belief in the Nakshatra system rather than the zodiacal sign. Its period of emergence is not known but it has been practised for centuries as a yardstick to measure the happening of the events and some given periods of time in the life of an individual. The very fact that it has survived for years lends clinching testimony of its utility. Had it been useless and inadequate to meet requirements, it would have long been rejected and become obsolete long now.

This system presumes that the life span of the human being is roughly 120 years according to 'Vinshottari', or 108 years according to 'Ashottari'. How and when these two systems of calculating the life span came to be practised, forms the subject matter of further investigation and research by scholars. The author had discourses with a number of reputable astrologers during the past twenty years, who tried to explain the necessity of the two-fold system, but unfortunately none of them contained any logical sequence. They should have studied and applied both the systems in respect of a number of individuals, instead of relying for results on some scanty proofs.

Table

Planet	YEARS OF DASHA	
	Vinshottari (120)	Ashottari (108)
Sun	6	6 (1)
Moon	10	15 (2)
Mars	7	8 (3)
Rahu (Dragon's head)	18	12 (7)
Jupiter	16	19 (6)
Saturn	19	10 (5)
Mercury	17	17 (4)
Ketu (Dragon's tail)	7	—
Venus	20	21 (8)
	120	108

N. B. :— The order of the planetary dasha period in 'Vinshottari' is fixed as indicated above. In 'Ashtottari', the order has been changed, and hence the figures in bracket shown against each will show the relative order. There is one more point of difference in both the systems in that there is no inclusion of Ketu in 'Ashtottari.' So far, I have never tried 'Ashtottari', and hence it would not be proper to offer any remarks about its utility or futility. My whole discussion is, therefore, restricted to 'Vinshottari' (120).

The system provides a long range view of the happenings in general form from hour to hour, day to day, month to month, year to year, and so on. It is a tribute to the wisdom to our old scientists for formulating the system so accurately and precisely with a uniform pattern! It is the personal experience of the author that once an astrologer studies and dextrously applies this system to any individual nativity, he need not take into account any other known systems in the world for precise prognostication. Of course, if one tries to supplement this system by Gochara or aspects, one will soon become an expert in the art of prediction.

To understand this system, you must know the correct degrees of the Moon at the time of birth and the Nakshatra position as well. The table reproduced on pages 89-90 indicates the portion of dashta period enjoyed (Brukta) in respect of a specific planet at the time of birth. This will facilitate the calculation of the remaining dashta periods.

Application

In our ancient text-books a number of rules have been enunciated by numerous scholars and Pandits according to their own scholarship and experience. The complexity of many rules confuses clarity. In order to overcome this serious handicap, the following rules for interpretation of dashta will, it is felt, work well.

(1) Determine first the number of auspicious and inauspicious planets, according to an ascendant.

(2) Check up the Nakshatra position of each of the planets, i.e. whether they are placed in their own asterisms, friendly or inimical. Planets in friendly or in their own asterisms should be considered as effective for assessing their importance in their dashta and sub-periods.

(3) Determine the strength of the planet according to 'Varg-Balas', at least in 'Navamansha'.

(4) Consider placement of planet in houses.

(5) Check up whether the native is fortunate to have dashta period of some *Yogakaraka* planet during his whole life, i.e. either in childhood, at middle age, or at the fag end of his life.

(6) Once you are sure that the native will have a tide of good luck, during certain period of life, then you can safely predict that the child will be lucky to settle in life, business education or in some other walk of life, and indicate the period of prosperity.

(7) In the case of dashta periods of the Sun-Mars, Ketu and Moon, we can indicate good periods within a span of 6 to 10 years, whereas in the case of Mercury, Venus, Saturn and Rahu, the native will have to wait for fructification of his aims and ambitions for a long period. In such cases, it is necessary to check up the 'Antar-dashas' or sub-periods, and specify the auspicious or inauspicious periods, without fear.

The use of aspects will be of much avail in indicating Periods of 'Antar-dashas'. For example, the sub-period of Saturn in Sun's dashta is very difficult to interpret. For this purpose, the original aspect between the Sun and Saturn and also the concurrent transit of Saturn in the chart will have to be considered. If everything is good and auspicious according to rules, you can assert that the change which may be in the offing in the above period will be conclusively for the betterment of prospects. If everything is inauspicious, then you can advise the person to maintain *status-quo* and to face the unforeseen odds with a cheer and a smile and wait courageously for the auspicious time ahead.

I do not wish to multiply the rules by adding some more sub-rules; your experience will help you deduce more details for precision in prediction. In the end, experience is the best teacher which alone tells you how to go ahead!

Criticism

When I discuss and advocate the use of the specific system a question may arise as to why other astrologers are not using it for prognostication at present. In the early 19th century, most of the Indian astrologers were attracted by the Western system of thought. There was much new and novel in their thinking and approach. Their system was based on practical knowledge and statistical working. This new ideology was found to be more easy and logical than the older system of our ancient thinkers. After studying this system, our astrologers too were baffled for some by time the accuracy of the results predicted. This change in outlook in astrology is attributable to the following reasons :— (1) The system advocated by Western thinkers were under scrutiny and investigation; (2) the rules advocated did not necessarily conform to the changed environment and novelty of the subject; and (3) lastly the approach of Easterners towards life was more religious and philosophical and aimed at emancipation, whereas Westerners appeared to be more materialistic and busy in finding out the ego and personality of the native through the horoscope.

The most important and vital point for neglecting this ancient system by all of us is the confusion created by various almanacs which are based purely on different *Ayanamschas*. At present, there are three schools of thought in India. One school follows nineteen *Ayanamschas*, which is popularly known as the followers of Tilk. The second school advocates twenty-one *Ayanamschas* and most of the followers are found in South India; whereas a third group follows twenty-three *Ayanamschas*.

I do not wish to enter into the controversy of *Ayanamschas* but it is my studied conviction that it has certainly affected the use of the *dasha* system. The apparent reason is that the degrees of the Moon at the time of birth may also vary. A simple concrete instance will clarify the position.

According to Sayana system, one may have the Moon in Leo 22 at the time of birth. After deducting 23 *Ayanamschas* to convert it into Nirayana system, the Moon will be in Cancer 29 i. e., Ashlesha asterism. If the Moon's degrees are deducted by 1 and 21 *Ayanamschas*, the Moon's Nirayana position will be in Leo 3 or 1, respectively. It means the native will have Magh asterism at the time of birth. According to the *dasha* system, the same person born at the same time will have either Mercury or Ketu *dasha*. It means, his life will be interpreted differently though the birth time is the same. Such type of variations in *Panchangas* have created some confusion in the minds of astrologers and indirectly it has created doubts about the accuracy of the system. Of course, for such differences nobody can be held responsible but the fact remains that the system received set-back in its application and use.

To overcome these difficulties, the author recommends that the almanacs based on 23 *Ayanamschas* should be followed for correct interpretation of the *dasha* system. I do not wish to impose my views on others if they have better results in following another system of *Ayanamschas*. After all, it is the individual experience that counts much in one's own theory and practice.

Primary and secondary directions

In addition to transit or Gochara system, Westerners follow primary and secondary directions for prognostication. This system is based on the rule that the planetary configuration subsequent to birth produces results in the life according to a time measure of one day equals one year. In short, each day after birth represents a year of the life.

I need not say much in regard to these systems as almost all authors have given sufficient and elaborate exposition in their respective text-books. Besides, I feel, this system sounds somewhat more artificial than the Indian system of the *dasha*. It will not be fair on my part to comment on the efficacy or otherwise of these systems as I have not tried them extensively. I leave it to the readers and fellow-astrologers to consider their relative values for predictive purposes. I, however, honestly feel, that such systems

may supplement or complement our Indian system of dashtas and Gochara, to yield more scientific and correct results.

Table of Dashes

Krittika—Uttara—Uttara Ashadha

(1) Sun's Period Yrs. 6

Sub-Periods.

Sun Moon Mar. Rahu Jup. Sat. Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Total										
Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	
Months	3	6	4	10	9	11	10	4	0	0
Days	18	0	6	24	18	12	6	6	0	0

Rohini - Hasta - Shrivana

(2) Moon's Period Yrs. 10

Sub-Periods

Moon Mar. Rahu Jup. Sat. Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Total										
Years	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	10
Months	10	7	6	4	7	5	7	8	6	0
Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Mriga-Chitra-Dhanistha

(3) Mars's Period Yrs. 7

Sub-Period.

Mar. Rahu Jup. Sat. Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Total										
Year	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	7
Months	4	0	11	1	11	4	2	4	7	0
Days	27	18	6	9	27	27	0	6	0	0

Table of Dashes (Contd.)

(4) Ardra - Swati - Shatataraka

Rahu's Period Yrs. 18

Sub-Periods.

Rahu Jup. Sat. Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Mar. Total										
Years	2	2	2	2	1	3	0	1	1	18
Months	8	4	10	6	0	0	10	6	0	0
Days	12	24	6	18	18	0	24	0	18	0

Punarvasu-Vishakha-Purva Bhadrapada

(5) Jupiter's Period Yrs. 16

Sub-Periods.

Jup. Sat. Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Mar. Rahu Total										
Years	2	2	2	0	2	2	1	0	2	16
Months	1	6	3	11	8	9	4	11	4	0
Days	18	12	6	6	0	18	0	6	24	0

Pushya-Anuradha-Uttara Bhadrapada

(6) Saturn's Period Yrs. 19

Sub-Periods.

Sat. Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Mar. Rahu Jup. Total										
Years	3	2	1	3	0	1	1	2	2	19
Months	0	8	1	2	11	7	1	10	6	0
Days	3	9	9	0	12	0	9	6	12	0

Ashlesha - Jyestha - Revati

(7) Mercury's Period Yrs. 17

Sub-Periods.

Mer. Ketu Ven. Sun Moon Mars Rahu Jup. Sat. Total										
Years	2	0	2	0	1	0	2	2	2	17
Months	4	11	10	10	5	11	6	3	8	0
Days	27	27	0	6	0	27	18	6	9	0

Table of Dashes (Contd.)

Aswini - Magha - Moola

(8) Ketu's Period Yrs. 7

Sub-Periods.

	Ketu	Ven.	Sun	Moon	Mars	Rahu	Jup.	Sat.	Mer.	Total
Years	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	7
Months	4	2	4	7	4	0	11	1	11	0
Days	27	0	6	0	27	18	6	9	27	0

Bharani - Purva - Purvashadha

(9) Venus' Period Yrs. 20

Sub - Periods.

	Ven.	Sun	Moon	Mars	Rahu	Jup.	Sat.	Mer.	Ketu	Total
Years	3	1	1	1	3	2	3	2	1	20
Months	4	0	8	2	0	8	2	10	2	0
Days	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Calculation of Dashes period (Bhukta) according to Moon's degree & sign position

DEGREES	Moon in Sagittarius				Moon in Taurus				Moon in Gemini, Libra				Moon in Cancer				Moon in Scorpio			
	Planet	Year	Months	Days	Planet	Year	Months	Days	Planet	Year	Months	Days	Planet	Year	Months	Days	Planet	Year	Months	Days
1	Ketu	0	6	9	Sun	1	11	12	Mars	4	0	9	Jupiter	13	2	12	Saturn	14	4	24
2		1	0	18		2	4	24		4	6	18		15	7	6		15	7	6
3		2	6	27		3	3	18		5	0	27		0	11	12		0	11	12
4		3	1	6		4	3	9		5	7	6		1	4	15		2	4	15
5		4	7	15		5	2	12		6	1	15		3	9	18		3	9	18
6		5	1	24		6	1	6		7	7	24		4	2	21		4	2	21
7		6	8	3		7	0	24		8	5	12		5	7	24		5	7	24
8		7	2	12		8	6	18		9	9	18		6	0	27		6	0	27
9		8	8	21		9	0	0		10	1	24		7	6	0		7	6	0
10		9	3	0		10	0	0		11	6	0		8	0	6		8	0	6

(Continued)

11		5	9	9	Moon	0	9	0		5	10	6		10	11	3
12		6	3	18		1	6	0		7	2	12		12	4	6
13		6	9	27		2	3	0		8	6	18		13	9	9
14	Venus	1	0	0		3	0	0		9	10	24		15	2	12
15		2	6	0		3	9	0		11	3	0		16	7	15
16		4	0	0		4	6	0		12	7	6		18	0	18
17		5	6	0		5	3	0		13	11	12	Mercury	0	5	3
18		7	0	0		6	0	0		15	3	18		1	8	12
19		8	6	0		6	9	0		16	7	24		2	11	21
20		10	0	0		7	6	0		18	0	0		4	3	0
21		11	6	0		8	3	0	Jupiter	1	2	12		5	6	9
22		13	0	0		9	0	0		2	4	24		6	9	18
23		14	6	0		9	9	0		3	7	6		8	0	27
24		16	0	0	Mars	0	4	6		4	9	18		9	4	6
25		17	6	0		0	10	15		6	0	0		10	7	15
26		19	0	0		1	4	24		7	2	12		11	10	24
27	Sun	0	1	24		1	11	3		8	4	24		13	2	3
28		0	7	6		2	5	12		9	7	6		14	5	12
29		1	0	18		2	11	21		10	9	10		15	8	21
30		1	6	0		3	6	0		12	0	0		17	0	0

Calculation of Dasha period up to minutes

Ketu and Mars 7 years		Venus 20 years	Sun 6 years	Moon 10 years	Rahu 18 years	Jupiter 16 years	Saturn 19 years	Mercury 17 years
Mts.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.	Y. M. D.
1	- - 3	- - 9	- - 2	- - 4	- - 8	- - 7	- - 8	- - 7
2	- - 6	- - 18	- - 5	- - 9	- - 16	- - 14	- - 17	- - 15
3	- - 9	- - 27	- - 8	- - 13	- - 24	- - 21	- - 25	- - 22
4	- - 12	- 1 06	- - 10	- - 18	- 1 02	- - 28	- 1 04	- 1 00
5	- - 15	- 1 15	- - 13	- - 22	- 1 10	- 1 06	- 1 12	- 1 08
6	- - 18	- 1 24	- - 16	- - 27	- 1 18	- 1 13	- 1 21	- 1 15
7	- - 22	- 2 03	- - 18	- 1 01	- 1 26	- 1 20	- 1 29	- 1 23
8	- - 25	- 2 12	- - 21	- 1 06	- 2 04	- 1 27	- 2 08	- 2 01
9	- - 28	- 2 21	- - 24	- 1 10	- 2 12	- 2 04	- 2 16	- 2 08
10	1 - 01	- 3 00	- - 27	- 1 15	- 2 21	- 2 12	- 2 25	- 2 16
20	- 2 03	- 6 00	- 01 24	- 3 00	- 5 12	- 4 24	- 5 21	- 5 03
30	- 3 04	- 9 00	- 02 21	- 4 15	- 8 03	- 7 06	- 8 16	- 07 19
40	- 4 06	1 00 00	- 03 18	- 6 00	- 10 24	- 9 18	- 11 12	- 10 06
50	- 5 07	1 03 00	- 04 15	- 7 15	- 01 15	1 00 00	1 02 07	1 00 22
60	- 6 09	1 06 00	- 05 12	- 9 00	- 04 06	1 2 12	1 05 03	1 03 09

Transit Cycle

In recent times American astrologers have become fond of transit cycle in order to achieve maximum accuracy in prediction.

The basic idea underlying this system is to consider the various planetary periods, progressions, directions, and so on and so forth concurrently. Indian astrologers are aware and are expert in considering and utilising sun moon cycles—the lunation since the lunar mansion and the lunar days have been taken into account very carefully in predicting day-to-day events.

The other transits of the planets are taken into account in isolation, due to which there is a possibility of error in not giving the cumulative effect of such cycles that are operating in the horoscope at a given time. Westerners have therefore evolved the system under the title ‘Transit Cycle’. It is worth considering and checking the results thereof till Indian astrologers become experts in analysing, scrutinising and judging the efficacy of the system.

Marc Edmond Jones of America is perhaps the first astrologer who introduced this system in western idology. Another important person in developing this whole pattern of cycle studies is Dane Ruthyan. He is widely known for philosophical writing in America. All the same he has made very important contributions of a technical nature in the field. Thereafter Marc Robertson can be named as a successful Astrologer who brilliantly studied carefully the cycles of Saturn. He was somewhat obscure in his writing but his contribution cannot be set aside on the ground of its

lack of clarity. He applied his system not only to Saturn but also the other slowing planets such as Uranus (Herschel) Neptune Pluto and other planets. According to that theory of cycles star with the conjunction when the transit planet crosses Nata planet they are on the same degree. The conjunction is essentially a statement of proposition or energy put forth. Something is born something begins, the person does something, but when the conjunction occurs the nature of this is not at all clear to the concerned. The conjunction is a nature of number one. The number one has no sub-consciousness. It exists, it is and it does not reflect. So the cycle begins at the conjunction, you are dealing with some sort of incidence or stage in life which is quite clear. You may be aware that during the conjunction transit something important is happening, you may have clear ideas about what it seems to be but will not be clear about what it is until the position has occurred. Real understanding will dawn upon you only when the position occurs.

The conjunction is like the sprouting of seeds. The plant germinated. A new seedling comes into existence and before the plant can flower, it must grow, it must be watered, duly tested by its environments until finally it attains the flowering stage. So with the conjunction we have the sprouting seeds, the beginnings of the idea, of the statement; something new is born and as the transit planet moves away from the *Natar* planet the seed grows, it becomes more clearly defined it establishes, its nature, and most importantly it builds itself on a material plane. But the first half every cycle is essentially the cycle of material development.

Let me give a basic sort of example. Let us suppose for a moment that someone starts a company, under a transit cycle starts a business. Let us assume for a moment for the sake of discussion, this is a long period cycle like Saturn-29 years. The time from the conjunction, from the beginning, when Saturn where it was when the things started to fourteen years when it opposes itself, that time is growing of the business on a material plane. The people are learning how to run the business, learning how to make it work and the business is being tested by the circumstances. In terms of our simile this is the time when the plant is growing.

Now there is a very important point about this time. During this time not only is the entity that is developing not aware of what it truly is, but is even less aware of what it is there for. So the entity is growing then during the first half of the cycle.

The first half of the cycle we shall call from the Lunation cycle as the waxing phase. And during the waxing phase the entities are primarily concerned with developing their existence. They are not concerned with why they exist.

In terms of human life I shall expand this more in my other talk. This is best exhibited by the cycle of Uranus. Uranus takes 41 years to go halfway around the chart. At the age of 41 everybody gets Uranus opposition to their natal Uranus and it has been found by psychologists that people go through tremendous changes when this transit occurs. One of the most important changes they go through if they are growing is that they go from trying to build their life up into something to asking the question "Why am I having a life at all?" What is my life for?" The first half of life actually for most people is building up one's material existence. It is creating the family, getting the home, doing the work. The second half of life revolves around the question why is my life happening? What am I doing with it? What is my spiritual relationship to the Universe?

However, while we can break the cycle down to these two half cycles, there are much finer sub-divisions. We are now going to talk about the sub-division of the waxing half of the transit cycles. This is from the conjunction to the opposition by transit. The first major point is the sextile (60 degree aspect) or in terms of house relationship. It will be a third house aspect between the natal body and the transiting body. At this time the entity has more or less established itself. What ever has been related to the transit cycle has established itself and has reached some degree of equilibrium. It has proven that it can live; it has proven that it can work to some degree. When you have a waxing sextile, this is the time when you should look at whatever is related to the transit cycle and make it more solid, more sound, more reliable because 30 degrees later the transiting planet will square the natal planet.

In America a typical University will have two semesters or classes. That is a year is divided into two parts of semesters Half way through the first semester there is what is called mid-term examination. Usually there are two major examinations in a semester mid-term and the final. Whatever has been connected to a transit cycle, the waxing square is the mid-term examination. A square is not to be dealt as unlucky transit unless you rely entirely on luck. If you rely entirely on luck then a square is likely to be unlucky.

Most of all we worry about aspects as that whoever having the experience totally unconsciously is now wise. people do not experience aspects and transits in the same way. Again I have conflicting observations about this concerning Indian Astrology. So I will not make sweeping generalisations but western Astrologers believe almost universally that the more conscious a man is the more wise he is. That person can make astrology work for him rather than against him more easily. Nothing is absolutely fated unless you choose to remain unconscious, unwise and unaware. This is my experience also.

So reach the waxing square and the validity of the statement is tested. If this were a business that started at the conjunction when the square comes this is tested to find out if it is well organised, to find out if it is well run. If it is not, it goes through a series of trials which are quite capable of destroying the thin that has come with the transit cycle and this is an important point. Squares of this type will only destroy the entities which have no business to exist. You may feel unlucky, you may feel it suppressive but basically what is happening is you are being pruned, like a tree with deadwood, the deadwood is being removed and what is left hopefully would grow happily. So the function of a waxing square is to prune whatever is inappropriate from the cycle of development in individuals, in hopes of making, whatever is there going with the transit, more alive, stronger, capable of surviving of the pruning will take place at the base of the tree which will chop it

down completely. This can also happen. Squares are very much in the nature of Saturn. They are trials, they are testing. They are not unlucky, they are merely trials. If you survive the trial you are definitely in a better condition than you are prior to it. Particularly important is that squares should not be looked down upon as typically negative or unlucky aspects.

Now from this point we have basically two different patterns.

There are actually three patterns. The first pattern occurs to those who survive the square. To any process in life that goes through the trial of a square and survives, there will be on pattern from here on. For those entities that do not survive the square trial there are two different patterns making a total of three. The first pattern occurs to those people who are aware that they did not survive the square. You see, you can be defeated. They think they have survived. I will dispose of them briefly. When the opposition transit comes : Whatever the entity has, will be totally defeated, and they will be clear about it. There will be no uncertainty about it whatsoever. The entity that is associated with the transit cycle will be destroyed. I can also dispose of the other one who does not survive the square pattern.

If you lose something at the waxing square and you know you have lost it, then you can make a new beginning at the opposition, so the opposition can serve exactly as a conjunction if you fail the trial of the waxing square and in this point the opposition is exactly like a conjunction except the one critical difference: at the opposition you are aware of what you are doing because the planet that is transiting in opposition to your natal planet puts things into a sharp focus so you can clearly see what it is that has to be done.

So a beginning that is made at an opposition is very often wiser, more mature, more educative beginning than the one that was made at the time of the conjunction. From this point onwards the transit cycle for this type of person is exactly like it started from the conjunction. This personal cycle is just 180 degrees.

Let me go back to the entity that survived the trial of the square because there are more trials to come before the entity has totally served its purpose. After the waxing square comes the waxing square aspect. This is again a period of balanced equilibrium. It is a period when you can look at what has happened since the square, clear it up make the thing work. Whatever was pruned away at the square is here at the trine.

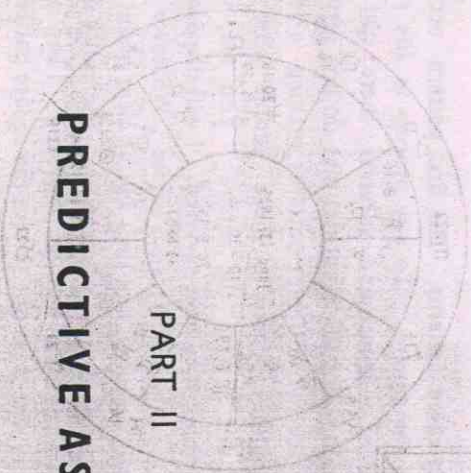
It is widely believed, I gather from what I read of Indian Astrology, that western astrologers think that all squares are bad, all trines are good. I would like to tell you—as Annie Hershey also implied earlier today that we are well aware that not all trines are good nor all squares are bad. As a matter of fact I have seen more problems to the people who have transiting sextiles in their charts than problems to the people who have squares and opposition in their charts. The reason is the trines and sextiles do not drive one to act. They do not drive one to grow. You are perfectly happy to sit in a rut forever with the sextile and trines. On the other hand, their positive feature is that they are in stability in times of crisis.

Now a trine transit is not necessarily a good transit. If you have survived the test of a square, it is an excellent transit because you get some of the rewards for surviving the trial. If you did not survive the square, it is a very bad transit because you are allowed into a false sense of security by the trine without doing anything. You do not look to improve whatever got into trouble at the time of the square.

The opposition is the second most important point of the cycle. I will be hard pressed to say that it is really any less important than a conjunction. Opposition and conjunction are both extremely important and must be observed very carefully. Going back to our plant simile if the conjunction is the germinating of the seed, the sextile is the growing of the seed into a small plant. The square represent bad weather conditions the insects, the animals that come along to eat it and these test whether the plant will survive. The trine is the plant growing to maturity and the opposition is the plant reaching the maturity and what does a plant do when it reaches maturity? I

flowers. After all why has the plant been growing? Why should a plant ever grow in the first place? To flower.

The opposition may represent one or two radically different things in life. It may represent the flowering or if it dose not survive the trial of the square, it may represent a new beginning or it may represent total destruction. So oppositions culminations, new beginnings or total destruction depending on how the person handles the cycle up to that time. I can emphasise strongly enough, that you can't understand the nature of the opposition until you have understood what preceded it. This is what I meant by taking the transit in vacuum. The cycle as a whole is an entire organic entity. It may not be broken up into pieces and separate the pieces one from the other. They must be treated as an entire whole.



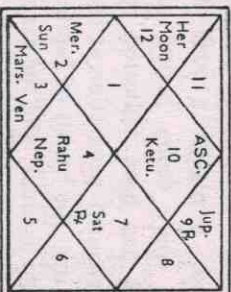
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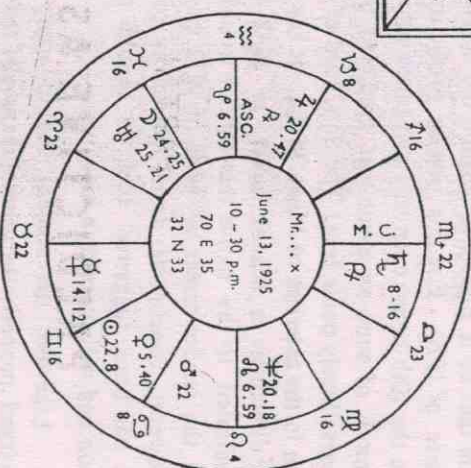
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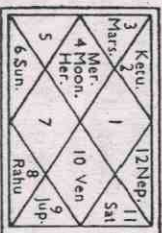
Nirayana Chart



Sayana Chart



Navanasha Chart



AYANAMSH : 22° 48'

NIRAYANA PLANETS

ASC.	SUN.	MOON.	NEP.	HERS.	SAT.	JUP.	MARS.	VEN.	MER.	RAHU.	KETU.
11	29	1	27	2	15	27	29	11	21	14	14
12	20	37	30	33	28 R	59 R	12	52	54	11	11
SHRAVAN	MRIGSHIRA	PURVA BHADRAPADA	ASHLESHA	PURVA BHADRAPADA	SWATI	UTTERA - SHADHA.	PUNARVASU	ARDBA	ROHINI	PUSHYA	SHRAVAN

Dasha (Vimshottari) Jupiter : Employed 13 - 11 - 18 Balance 2 - 0 - 22

Having explained the various technicalities thread-bare so far, let us now discuss the exact approach to a chart as an illustration. The chart reproduced on the facing page has been cast according to the known principles of astrology based upon both the two systems, viz. Sayana and Nirayana. Various astrologers have given numerous systems for rectification of birth time in order to arrive at the exact position of the ascendant point. Amongst them the degree description given by Sepharial and others is worth mentioning.

In the chart under discussion the 4th degree of Aquarius (Sayana) is rising on the ascendant and the 32nd degree of Scorpio on the Meridian Cusp. The degree description of both the points is as follows :

Ascendant-Aquarius 4

"An officer arrayed much like a Chinese mandarin in a official robe of purple and gold and blue. This is indicative of one who will show considerable merit in diplomatic or governmental work. It is probable that he himself will be able to boast an ancient lineage and there is, apart from his destiny, an inherent dignity and repose which will enable him

passively to withstand the assaults of his enemies and by patience finally to overcome all and succeed to the highest positions of trust and confidence. it is a degree of Authority :

Meridian Cusp - Scorpio 22 :

" A buffalo standing on an eminence pawing the ground and snoring. It is a symbol of a bold, independent and fierce nature that knows neither restraint nor law. It is a degree of Independence. "

Note : Before proceeding further, this description should be got confirmed, and changes effected in the birth time, if necessary, to correctly reflect the qualities.

Aspect

The confirmation of the birth particulars leads us further to the aspects :

Moon-Herschel conjunction : betokens mental agility and critical attitude. The native will therefore be all the while busy in some kind of work, either physical or mental. His restlessness may not cause any exhaustion to him. The Sun-Neptune sextile from the 5th to the 7th is indicative of correct judgment of things around, and to plan accordingly. The Sun-Moon trine is extremely useful for constructive ability, both in mechanical and electrical careers. Saturn-trine-Venus : Both these planets are auspicious for Capricorn ascendant (Nirayana) and they are placed at a distance of 120°. This aspect is very auspicious for the native only when he will have dasha period of either Saturn or Venus, or their sub-periods, as the case may be.

Note : The study of aspects indicates a psychological bent of mind as well as the circumstances in which the native is placed or is likely to be placed at a given time.

Planets

The study of planets by placement, rashi and Nakshatras is of vital importance for precision in the prediction. This is illustrated as follows.

Venus, being lord of the 2th and 10th houses is *Yogakaraka* for Capricorn ascendant. It is placed in 5th house and it has attained good Navamansha position too. It suggests a touch of fortune. The native was fortunate to enjoy dasha period of Venus from 1970 onwards. Hence, it has been indicated to him that he is eligible for higher and accelerated promotion at the close of 1970. For this precise prediction, the transit of Jupiter on the 10th house cusp was also taken into account, and the exact month of such an event was predicted beforehand, and this has marvellously come true. The Sun, lord of the 8th, is placed in the 5th in the asterism of Mars, Mriga. It has caused some hindrances or difficulties in school career, in 1942-43. Hence, it has been indicated to the native that similar troubles are likely to occur in the service career by close of 1972, or beginning of 1973. As, however, concurrent dasha period is of an auspicious planet, it has been suggested that he should patiently face the situation and will succeed in his aims.

Likewise, the student should study all the planets to understand properly the general texture of the map as a whole.

Prospects

The real art of prediction will be put to test in indicating the prospects of an individual, which demands an appreciable and skilful blending of the two systems, viz. Western and Indian. From the Sayana Bhava-chaita chart we have determined positions of the planets and their mutual aspects. For predictive purposes we should turn to the Nirayana chart with Capricorn ascendant.

As indicated in the earlier chapter (prognostication), for Capricorn ascendant Venus and Mercury bestow *Raja-yogas*. Dasha periods of these planets will only be fruitful in the life of the individual under study. The rest of the planets, however powerful they may be, are not to be reckoned as auspicious ones. If they are placed in friendly asterisms or in Navamansha, they may not be so harmful in manifestations, and may, therefore, help in maintaining a balanced position. While doing this the

concurrent transit of the rest of the planets, as indicated in the chart, should also be considered.

On completion of these preliminaries it would be fruitful to predict some past events and secure corroboration from the individual, so that future forecasting would be appreciably accurate. One should not feel shy in doing all this process.

The Horoscope proper

At the time of birth, the individual had balance of Jupiter dasha for a period of 2 years and 22 days. [Although Jupiter is placed in friendly asterism, Uttarashadha, it cannot be considered as auspicious since it owns the 15th house. Besides, it was a period of *antar-dasha* of Rahu in Jupiter dasha. Hence, the individual must have suffered ill-health. Thereafter, there was a period of Saturn dasha for 16 years. It is placed in the asterism of Rahu and it has attained a good position in Navamasha. Hence he might have completed his education as per his expectations, or might have had all the necessities of life for a contented living. Thereafter, he had another auspicious period of 17 years which coincided with Mercury dasha. Mercury owns the 9th house and is placed in the asterism of the Moon. His career might have started here. He had opportunities to travel abroad in connection with his vocation and led a comfortable life during the whole period. Of course, there might be some hindrances or obstacles during sub-periods of Mars, Jupiter etc.

From 1963 onwards he had Ketu dasha. This period cannot be considered as auspicious in view of the fact that Ketu is treated on a par with Mars, and accordingly practically there were no prospects in the tenure of seven years and the life was dull for him. In such circumstances he approached me for indicating future prospects in his life.

After checking the chart, I advised him to wait till middle of 1970 when an auspicious dasha period of Venus would commence. When Jupiter was transiting over the 10th house and also over Saturn (lord of ascendant) the individual secured promotion

and his financial position was elevated considerably. During the next year, i. e. in 1971-72, Saturn will transit over radical Sun and Mercury. The transit over Mercury would be auspicious, but over the Sun may not necessarily be good and may cause some worry and anxieties, relating to his own health (Sun being lord of the 8th house) and status also. However, the severity will be less as he can safely come out of this in view of the auspicious dasha period.

Based on the above principles, the students of astrology should study and indicate the future prospects of the individual charts on the above lines.

Can the birth of child be predicted ?

Birth of a Child : 9

Like the universe, there is both complexity and uniformity in the human organism.

Occasionally, people are surprised to read in newspapers of a woman giving birth to a child in an aeroplane or in a moving vehicle, or at the polling station. The probable cause of such an event is traceable. It is due to an error in calculation of the expected date of delivery or possession of inadequate knowledge of the natural phenomena or in some cases due to undue reliance on medical advice.

In the absence of scientific apparatus primitive men and women used to deduce certain events to follow from the mere movements heavenly bodies at given periods of time. After prolonged observation, people understood that the tide and ebb of the sea have a relationship with the phase of the Moon or the angular distance between the Sun and the Moon. Subsequently, as the science advanced, the mystery was unlocked and the origin of such a phenomenon was attributed to the gravitational force of the heavenly bodies.

About 2000 year ago Varahmihir, the father of Indian astrology, for the first time laid down that the menstrual cycle of a woman is directly related to the lunar movement in a

horoscope. The period of the usual menses varies roughly from 27 to 29 days corresponding to the lunar month. The exact date of the beginning of the menses can be precisely judged from the position of the Moon, Mars (Circulator of blood) and Venus (Planet of sex). Navamansha positions of the planets are useful in this respect. The period of the cycle may vary from 27 to 30 days, if the 5th house (house of uterus) the 7th (external secret organ) the 8th (internal organ) houses are occupied by malefics in the radical chart as well as transiting planets, especially by Rahu, Saturn and Herschel.

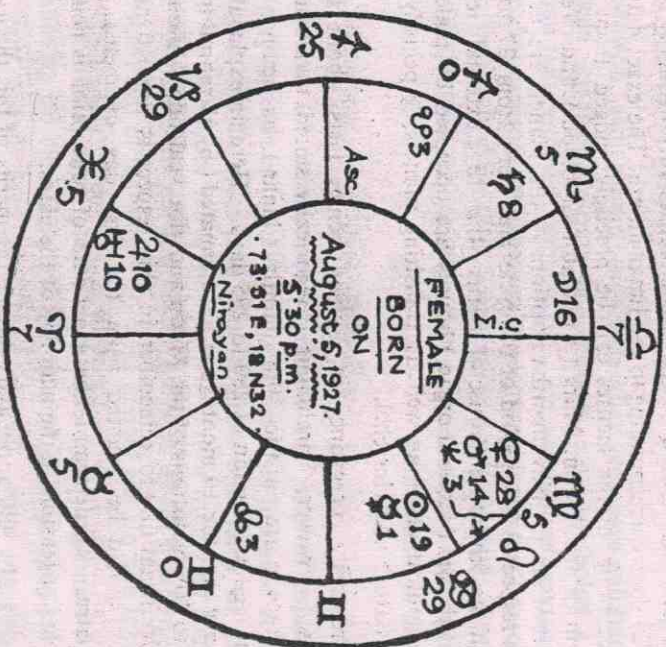
Ordinarily, pregnancy in human beings lasts about nine months. However, Varahmihir categorically stated that usually birth takes place in the 10th month (lunar), as against the present medical opinion of 280 to 295 days. Here an explanation necessary that the 10 months' period estimated (by Varahmihir) is equal to 10 revolutions of the Moon and not 'calendar' months. One significant hint to remember in this respect is that 10 lunar months should be counted from the first day of menses or Nakshatra. To determine the exact date of conception is neither possible nor feasible in the majority of the cases.

So far, I could apply and evaluate the merits of this theory in over 60 cases. The theory worked well in more than ninety percent cases.

EXAMPLE

One of my female relatives in the 7th month of her pregnancy approached me in 1961 with a suspicion of twins. The medical practitioner, who treated her did not confirm her suspicion, but instead created added confusion in her mind in view of the unusually large size of the abdomen.

On the scrutiny of her horoscope (below) I found that both Sun and Mercury were in Cancer in the 8th house and this combination had created the presence of an abnormal quantity of watery substance in her abdomen. Astrologically there were no indications of twins. Quite boldly I assured her that she would have just one baby and nothing more! However, I advised the doctor to remove the watery substance when the lady got the final pains of delivery.



Having removed her anxiety over the twins, she wanted the probable date of delivery. After confirming the time and date of the last menses prior to conception, I could indicate her date of delivery as 22-9-62, between 2 and 4 p. m. Her last M. C. was on 22-12-61 at about 2 p. m. when the Moon was in Airdra in Mithuna (Gemini). 10 Lunar months, counted for this date were completed on 22-9-62. The date proved to be accurate and she gave birth to a baby on 22-9-62 at 3-30 p. m. the 10 lunar months were as follows:

22nd Dec. '61 to 18 Jan. '62 (28), 19th Jan. to 14th Feb. (27), 15th Feb. to 31st March (27), 14th March to 11th April (29), 12th April to 8th May (27), May to 4th June (27), 5th June to 1st July (27), 2nd July to 26th July (25), 27th July to 25th August (30), 26th Aug. to 20th Sept. (26)
Total days 273 days.

In another case, a pregnant lady was advised caesarian for safe delivery. She felt that there was some internal obstruction near the mouth of the organ. The study of her horoscope convinced me that there might be some severe pains to this lady, but there was absolutely no cause for operation. Her doctor was advised to postpone artificial delivery till the completion of the 10th lunar cycle and then decide upon the surgical treatment. It was most astonishing to all that the woman delivered in a normal way.

Abnormal periods of pregnancy

As indicated earlier, occasionally the period of pregnancy exceeds the normal 10 lunar cycle if the original horoscope is afflicted by Saturn and Rahu brook delays and afflicted Sun-Mars indicate abortive tendencies. Original charts should be checked before pronouncing a final judgement in such cases.

Varahmihir has quoted planetary combinations which cause abnormal pregnancy and delay in delivery up to a period of 3 years to 12 years. He has referred even to the day and time of conception and Navamansh chart. For example, if Navamansha of the ascendant at the time of conception falls in Capricorn or Aquarius, and Saturn is in the 7th, the expectant mother will deliver after three years.

It is difficult to accept the existence of a living child in the womb for years together! An orientation or modification of the rules can be had on statistical basis with the help of eminent gynaecologists and pediatricians.

This is a very interesting social problem and pregnant ladies who desire to work out their due date of delivery may calculate their days on the basis of the very simple method discussed above and examine the accuracy.

The heavenly bodies condition human life in all its diversities securing clockwork uniformity in all happenings!



Planets and Women

More than half the population of the globe consists of women. However, there are some controversial points among astrologers whether the same planets affect men and women differently.

Astrology presupposes that there is a casual relationship between the movements of the heavenly bodies and the destinies of human beings, whether male or female. Owing to striking difference in the cultural and social environment, some centuries earlier, the great Maharshis and astrologers had chosen to treat "Female horoscopy or *Stree Jatak*" as a separate branch of the subject, inasmuch as it was firmly believed then that women had no individual existence unlike men and their fate or fortune was considered dependent on the father prior to marriage, and upon the husband after marriage. Now both the sexes walk hand-in-hand in all fields of activity, and it would be dishonouring the fair sex if they are not treated on a par with men.

Though ladies are not disqualified by reason of their sex, for vying with men in all assorted endeavours in life, they are still a delicate sex which warrants natural justice being done unto them. They are made of an altogether peculiar physical fibre with the characteristics of fair complexion, smiling and charming demean-

our, sparkling eyes, rosy nails, slim waist, nimble toes, downward looks, a melodious voice, pleasant and graceful manners elegant attire, natural bashfulness, etc. No wonder, therefore, that nature has chosen them for the purpose of procreation, motherhood, and rearing the children with care and love. Still with all-round consciousness they do not seem to complain to the almighty about their role in human life!

Beauty

Besides fortune, the essential pre-requisite for women is beauty. A beautiful girl born in a poor family has reasonably good chances to enter into wedlock with a member of rich families, whereas a lady born with a silver spoon in her mouth rarely finds a bridegroom if she is deprived of natural feminine beauty. The ascendant and planets therein are most important in this respect.

All even signs, viz., Taurus, Cancer, Virgo, Capricorn and Pisces are considered as females and are preferable on ascendants when girls are born. Gemini and Libra, even though they are reckoned as male signs, can be grouped under this heading. Venus and Moon are two female planets and they add complexion and beauty to women if they are in proximity or exactly on the ascendant.

Women born with Virgo or Pisces ascendants with Hasta and Revati, respectively, are destined to possess lustre and beauty and are able to maintain it without much effort of a pretty long time. Their natural physical functions are most regular, and these help them in maintaining harmony and peace in their homes.

Women born with Taurus (Rohini) and Libra (Vishakha) on the Eastern horizon have a reasonably venetian tinge in view of the fact that the lord of both the signs, Venus, betokens beauty. They are good-looking, have love towards beauty and possess neatness and lastly on the top of this, they have a good sense of harmony. As a wife of partner, they render the best service to their husband provided there is all-round affluence of all that is precious and necessary in life.

Ladies with Scorpio ascendant have a spectacular looks. Besides their eyes are deep and heart-searching. The nose is usually straight. Their beauty is somewhat peculiar. Sex appeal is abnormal. Ladies born with such ascendants and the majority of planets therein play the role of "Five", predominantly. They are more or less showy and take pleasure in concealing their defects skilfully.

The above description may serve as a guide-line and may not be considered as rigid and final. Nakshatras come in under the influence of Venus, Moon and Jupiter, are significant in this respect. On the contrary, the Nakshatras, viz. Kritika, Ashlesha, Magha, Moola are considered inauspicious for they diminish the feminine feature and beauty and do not augur well for a homogeneous order of the family. For all parposes the cumulative effect of the planets and Nakshatras should be taken into consideration concurrently.

Chastity

Indian astrologers have laid much emphasis on the chastity of women-folk. As a matter of fact, it is not proper to expect chastity from ladies only. Perhaps in the ancient period, ladies had no independent social status. Even in the present days some astrologers refuse to go through horoscopes of ladies after marriage. But the social order has been changed considerably. Both the horoscopes should be examined independently for all purposes.

The fourth house has relevance in two ways, the fourth house and more correctly the planets therein indicate a natural bent of mind (Para-psychology). Besides, it is a house of comforts. Auspicious planets such as Venus, Moon, Jupiter in this house, especially in maps of ladies are most important since they enhance the material happiness and comfort at home. Secondly, the position of the breast is indicated from this house. Feeding a baby in infancy is the most important and natural duty of women. Occasionally we come across ladies who are otherwise

very strong or stout, but their babies suffer for want of adequate breast feeding, if malefics are placed in the fourth house. Besides, it increase enhances the beauty of a woman.

Motherhood

The principle and most vital role assigned by nature to women-folk is that of motherhood. For this purpose, the 5th, 7th and 8th houses are of vital importance. The 5th houses indicates the position of the uterus; the 7th external and the 8th the internal or genital organ. The planets therein are required to be considered carefully for calculating the prospects of progeny since they are interconnected. The 5th and 8th houses must be free from affliction, otherwise some troubles can be anticipated.

Still there is one more disputable point among astrologers as to whether astrologers can judge from a mere glance at a horoscope whether it is of a male or female. Some astrologers claim that they can do it. No doubt there are certain rules for such identification, but they are not so precise as to unmistakably show the exact sex. In the circumstances, the astrologer has to elicit this information by a direct question whether the map put to him for reading is that of a male or female.

A few salient features concerning female horoscopy have been discussed. It may serve as a guideline. While concluding it may be stated that horoscopes of women need to be studied on certain different principles in respect of (1) Beauty, and (2) Motherhood, since there is a fundamental diversity of physical attributes. In respect of success, service, promotion, etc., the same set of rules as apply to males can be applied with equal force to female horoscopes. Hence, it may be concluded that the same planets influence men and women differently in restricted manner.

Man and woman are the principle wheels of the great chariot of human civilization and the existence of one without the other is not only meaningless and impossible, but it is simply illogical and absurd. It is because of the differences in the

constitution and structure that there is a natural attraction and harmony of results. Had there been no difference between them, there would have been absolutely no chance for both of them to study together for a common purpose. In physical sciences also we study under magnetism that 'like poles repel and unlike poles attract,' and this is the fundamental scientific law that binds man and woman together. Modern States recognise them as equals before law, but the laws of Nature are not man-made! Their creation and application an ungrudgingly attributable to God !!



Prospects of Love Marriage

Romeo-Julient and Laila-Majnu, the romantic lovers have kept memorable ideals before every young man and woman.

Every youth has a strong urge to marry a partner of his choice and acquaintance. The fascination for each other may be due to association, idealism, love of arts, games, sports and beauty.

The systems of picking up partners vary according to cultural and ethical values and environment in which they are placed. The consent of partners to the marriage between two is little importance in Eastern countries. The choice is usually left to parents especially in case of females in Eastern countries. This practice is, however, fast changing.

Astrology does not accept such barriers since the life of every individual is conditioned by planetary movements and in this context, I shall discuss the prospects of love marriages of men and women.

Prospects

In a horoscope, the 5th house denotes providence, natural love procreation and progeny, whereas the 7th house indicates the status, position and nature of the partner. The lords of these houses are pointers to decide the possibility of love marriage of

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otherwise. Both the lords should be in conjunction or in trine or sextile, preferably in the above two houses or in the 9th, 10th or 11th. In certain cases, it is found that the lord of the 9th (Bhagya) also joins the lords of the 5th or the 7th. In short, formulae for love marriage will be as follows :

- 1) Lord of 5th + Lord of 7th
- 2) Lord of 7th + Lord of 9th
- 3) Lord of 5th + Lord of 9th

N. B. : It should be noted that the aspects between the lords of houses the above should be angular.

Placement

It is needless to mention that the conjunction of the above planets must be either in the 5th, 7th (primarily), 10th, 11th or 1st (secondary) houses. Otherwise, the prospective couples may have an opportunity to come together for a long time without any prospects of successful marriage.

If the above conjunctions fall in the 6th, 8th or 12th house, frustration for one reason or the other cannot be ruled out. Willingly or unwillingly the lovers have to sacrifice their love life and have to join their hands with some unexpected and unknown partners in marriage.

'Love at First Sight'

As a matter of fact, this type of love cannot be brought under this category. It mainly emerges out of some fancies and striking incidents and happening. It may be mainly due to conjunctions of Mars-Venus, Mars-Herschel or Venus-Herschel. At times, Neptune is associated with either Mars, Venus or Herschel. The former conjunction prompts the individuals to declare their love as such yet with the latter it may be concealed. It is doubtful if all the cases blossom in to the sweet wedding as the tide of passion lasts for a short time.

Examples

A few examples of these types will be helpful to substantiate my theory and also create interest in students of astrology,

A Diamond in the colliery

An unmarried girl without the lustre and beauty is an irony of fate ! For a woman, beauty is her chief virtue and a valuable asset. Though devoid of wisdom, she is capable of charming any prospective bridegroom, and added to these assets the juxtaposition of auspicious stars always guarantees an enviable life.

Some time in May, 1965, during my short visit to Konkan, I met a virtual fairy in the land ! I could not resist my temptation and asked for her horoscope from her father. She had Taurus ascendant along with Rohini and Moon and Mars (Lord of 7th) in full conjunction with Saturn (Lord of the 9th) in Capricorn (in Shravan asterism). I learnt from her father that he was worried by her inauspicious Saturn and Mars conjunction in the 7th. My assurance relieved his tension when I told him that would make an incomparable and enviable match with one of status and money and known to her and her family. He need not worry about finances as the bride-groom would pay all expenses on both sides, and would take his daughter with him abroad ! All this happened as God ordained it !

One of my friends, sometime back, approached me to ascertain the probable period of his sister's marriage. At a glance, I could narrow down my suspicion that his sister was in love with a youth of her choice. Not to cause a mental breakdown, I told my friend that his sister's marriage should not be settled without first consulting her. She had Gemini ascendant with Jupiter-Saturn conjunction in the 8th house (Bhavachalit chart). Later it so transpired that the parents had chosen a boy of their choice. On disclosing their choice to the girl, she straightway refused to accept the proposal and made a spontaneous confession that she loved a boy of her choice and she would not marry anyone except him. There was however, a delicate astrological tie. I was convinced that the love affair would not fructify. Her brother approached me again and told me of their intention to disapprove of his sister's choice. I told him confidently that with the passage of time, this love affair would

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dissolve without any sublimation and suggested a postponement of the marriage till the third week of January. I subsequently came to know that the girl was happy since her marriage with a boy of her parent's choice!

Instance could be multiplied but this is not the place for such an essay. Those interested in knowing beforehand their marital prospects should consult eminent astrologers to avoid frustration.



Predicting Divorce

Certainly, divorce is a social evil.

In recent statistics published by the Department of Demography in America, the specialists indicate that the rate of divorce has been alarmingly increasing in Western countries, particularly U. S. A. Sweden and Yugoslavia, since 1940 after the Second World War.

While enumerating the causes for such divorces the experts have put emphasis on three important factors, viz., incompatibility, drunkenness or peculiar bad habits and lastly thoughtless attitude towards marriage.

It is not known whether such a survey has been carried out in India. However recent reports published in newspapers indicate that large numbers of divorce suits are pending in the Courts, which require 5 to 10 years for their final disposal. It is an irony of fate that young males and females have to wait in utter disgust for our inordinate length of time for securing a legal divorce!

In this important background, it would be interesting to probe this special evil, purely on the astrological basis.

Astrology presupposes that actions of men and women are influenced by planetary movements at the time of birth, and

our behaviour pattern is conditioned by heavenly bodies with a limited scope for human actions to alter the course of events.

Otherwise, the so-called intelligent, rational and educated masses could not have resorted to such an extreme legal action for the redress of their private grievances in a public court of law !

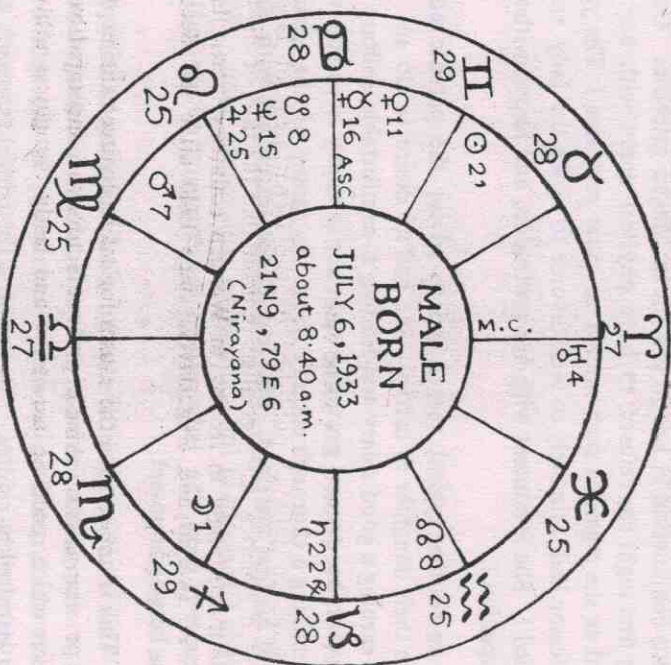


Figure 1

As pointed out earlier, the 7th house and its lord are significant for matrimonial happiness. Divorce means that the 7th house, along with its lord, is afflicted ; otherwise, there are remote chances for unhappy union. I may go a step further and say that more the affliction in radical chart and inauspicious transit, the man and the woman are more likely to be tempted to form an alliance in spite of sound advice or suggestions from interested parties or well-wishers ; or better still such planets mould the fate of partners according to their design and will, just to establish their supremacy !

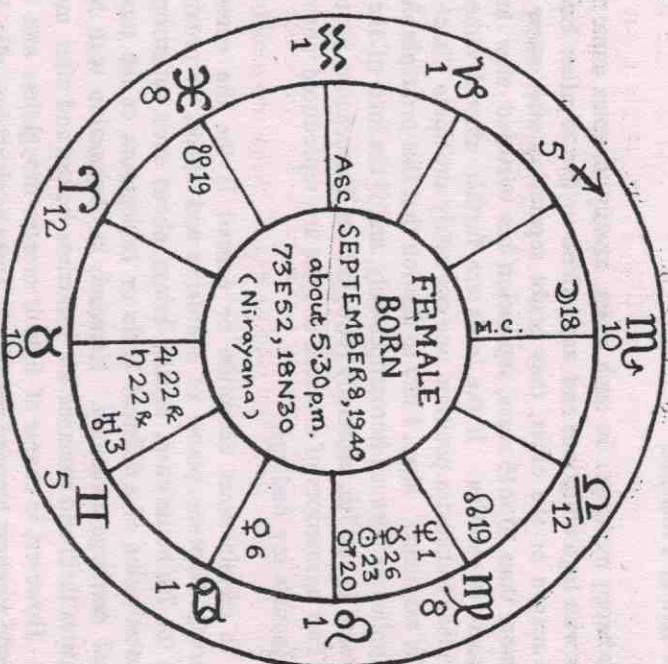


Figure 2

In Indian astrology, woman and wealth (*Kanak and Kanta*) are considered to be irresistible temptations which seek to destroy human (*Purush*) character by assassinating their moral fibre. The 2nd (*Kanak*) and the 7th (*Kanta*) and their lords are responsible for human glory, decency and beset their voyage towards the rightly ideal of emancipation with difficulties. It has therefore been rightly delivered that the lords of these houses are 'Marakas' (Destroyers). They not only destroy but also diminish the value of other auspicious planets if they are in aspect or in proximity with other auspicious planets.

Out of curiosity, I have studied about 100 charts of divorce couples. In the majority of cases, the lord of the 7th was found in the 7th and in certain cases also the lord of 2nd in the 2nd house. This position is useful to judge the prospects of divorce or separation. At least one can reasonably doubt the prospects

of a happy marriage. In such cases, initially, couples come together with high ambitions and aspirations to live together but for one reason or the other, they prefer separation after some time. In more than 10 to 15 cases, separation has occurred after having a couple of children. If the lords are further afflicted either by malefices Nakshatra position, one can safely anticipate dissolution of the marriage. Here, I like to caution that this principle should be applied to Nirayan horoscopes only, and if the lord of the 7th is placed in the 7th, especially retrograde in *Bhavadhali* horoscope. Two horoscopes of divorced couples are reproduced above to substantiate my findings.

In certain cases deception or conceit is the cause of divorce. Neptune, planet of confusion and chaos, in proximity with the 7th house cusp, usually brings about such catastrophes by substitution of a different bride or bridegroom at the time of actual marriage ceremony. Herschel, in conjunction with Mars indicates thrill and romance for sometime before and after marriage. However, in course of time it creates thoughtless and rash attitude amongst married partners. These conjunctions also indicate addiction to vices or attachment to someone other than the married partner. Their sexual energy is so insatiable that they are not usually satisfied with their legitimate partners. This is true of the case of afflicted Venus in Scorpio rising on ascendant and Mars-Herschel in the seventh house in Taurus, prominently in Krittika or Mrig.

In certain cases physical incompatibility, especially deficiencies in a man or woman for procreation is a decisive factor for voluntary or forced divorce. Jupiter-Rahu, Mars-Rahu, Saturn-Mercury and the lord of the 5th in conjunction with Rahu or eclipse point are some of the examples of this type.

Some males or females have natural aversion to married life. So far as sex is concerned, they are frigid. Afflicted Aquarius rising on ascendant is usually a pointer in this respect. However, respect for parents and lack of courage to admit their inability at times force such persons to enter into wedlock against their wish. Such marriages inevitably lead to frustration and disappointment.

Examples

An educated lady working as a teacher was forced to marry a professor. She had Aquarius rising on ascendant with Saturn-Venus conjunction in Leo in the 7th in Magna asterism. On the very first night she refused to have physical union with her husband as she regarded such an act as most repulsive ! The young professor had ultimately to seek divorce to which the lady readily agreed ! She is content with her profession, and happy without a companion !

In another typical case I had to advise the parents not to force their daughter to marry. She had no desire to do so, She was earning a good salary and leading a comfortable solitary life. However, her parents prevailed upon her to marry a person without making a thorough enquiry about the causes of the dissolution of his first marriage. She had Cancer ascendant with Rahu-Mars in Capricorn in full conjunction with eclipse point. Within a couple of days, the lady refused the company of her husband since he was impotent.

This is not an exhaustive astrological reasoning causing divorces or separations. Above are some of the peculiar planetary aspects which could be broadly remembered, in the solution of such astrological riddles. No doubt, a thoughtful approach alone will help to arrive at the final judgment.



How to keep your partner happy

The husband and the wife or partners, if married legally or by an agreement, they are the wheels of a chariot to make material life happy and successful.

It is needless to mention that both the wheels must run concurrently and smoothly, if we are to make the journey profitably happy and reasonably cheerful. If either of the wheels goes wrong, the happiness is hampered and welfare is substituted by worries and anxieties. Life therefore, becomes dull and monotonous.

Since the union constitutes a pair, like the Sun and the Moon inasmuch as the former stands for male, and the latter for female, the key to success lies in understanding each other emotionally, instinctively, impulsively, sexually and so on.

On certain occasions, we are active, outgoing, positive, aggressive and self-expressive whereas at times we ourselves are in-drawn, negative, self-protective and assimilative. All these characteristics are indicated by the positions of the Moon; the Sun and the ascendant in horoscopes of the partners. It both the constituents understand each other and supplement their efficiencies-deficiencies properly and knowingly, there is full scope to avert frustration and disappointment.

How to keep your partner happy :

Various zodiacal signs when rising on the ascendant or the Sun and the Moon happen to be in either of the 12 signs, producing the following general set of characteristics in the partners. The characteristics of the sign rising on ascendant should correspond to one-self whereas that rising on descendant should be considered as that of partner, viz., Aries-Libra, Taurus-Scorpio, Gemini-Sagittarius, etc. In certain cases, zodiacal signs rising on the 5th, the 9th and the 10th house cusps are likely to be the signs of the partners.

The following description of each of the signs will be helpful to understand each other and to adjust their physical as well as psychological behaviour and temperament.

Ariens : Ariens are usually hasty and impetuous. They are according to the influence of 'heart' rather than 'head'. They are fond of thrill, active and romantic life. While selecting partner they will be hasty, abstinate and will put emphasis on the bright side neglecting other draw-backs. Sports, games, out-door tourism are their fascinating subjects. There is a pleasure in handling such hobbies / wives, tactfully. Among the three Nakshatras persons born with Bharani are rather jolly and merry-making, yet the inherent traits of Ariens are well reflected in Kritika only.

Taureans have immense love towards comforts, beautiful surroundings and pleasing partner. Sexual attachment is a prominent attribute and even temporary separation is felt by them unbearable. They are dominated by the partner. Persons born with Kritika and Mriga are bit rash in their manifestation but with Rohini are ease-loving and luxurious. They look upon their partner merely as a means of enjoyment.

Geminians come under the influence of Mercury and are always in search of a partner of a jovial type. They are practical and adjustable. Precise judgment can be taken only on the assessment of the planets in the ascendant and the 7th house. The fine qualities of Geminians are well exhibited in Punarvasu. In Ardra delicacy and some draw-backs are indicated.

Cancerians are most devoted and emotional. It is common knowledge that in spite of the intense love between the two, the companionship does not last long. They, however, prefer to live in isolation in the sweet memories of lovers or beloved, if they are unfortunately forced to suffer separation arising out of natural clammy or an inevitable divorce. These traits are more prominent if Pushya is rising. In case of Ashlesha, they are skilful in handling the partner and establishing themselves independently away from the family to create an empire of their own.

Leonians despite their generosity and royal nature, are deprived of real and enjoyable married life for one reason or the other in latter part of life. Being fiery and fixed, they have intense love and sincerity towards the partner, but they rarely get a sportive and jolly partner. Persons with Purva enjoy married life in real sense whereas with Uttara it is not so. They are dominating and imposing.

Virgos, like Geminians are practical and adjustable. However, it is not certain whether they will stick faithfully to each other in spite of numerous odds. Persons with Hasta will find pleasure in maintaining harmony, yet with Chitra they are rather selfish and whimsical.

Librans are perhaps the luckiest to enjoy pleasures of union very calmly and quietly. They find delight in worldly pleasures, as well as intellectual pursuits. Their taste and behaviour are very moderate. They have wonderful power of patience, tolerance and fun. Both the partners may aspire to the welfare of each other. Librans with Chitra are fiery, but with Vishakha they are political in dealings.

Scorpians - These people are very difficult to understand unless and until one gets an opportunity to live with them. They have a superb sense of honour and become sarcastic and at times vindictive if they are not properly attended to. They have a deep sense of passion, love and feelings, but the same is exhibited in various ways according to the planets in the horoscope. Scorpians

born with Vishakha are reasonably a compromising pair, but with Anuradha they are jealous and schemy and their love sense is rather acute; with Jyeshtha, they are to a critical.

Sagittarian subjects have no fixity of purpose. They find pleasures outside home wherein there is full scope for thoughtful action and physical and mental movement. Sports, education religion, hunting and social environment are some of their likings. Family life will be reasonable attractive. Sagittarians with Purva-shadha, may have love towards entertainments, but with Uttara-shadha will be ambitious and disciplined.

Capricornian folk are thoughtful, cold in expression, materialistic and have disguised love for home, partners and children. They prefer home or the domestic world, when their own professional or vocational aspirations are fulfilled. A sense of duty rather than pleasure is domestic. They hardly got this to look after their partners and feel disturbed if they are upset by domestic problems. Persons born with Uttarashadha will be less expressive and cold but with Shravan are keen to enjoy life in a selfish way. With Dhanishtha, they are difficult to understand.

Aquarians are unconventional, yet fixed in thought and action. They evolve their own code of conduct and morality. They find pleasure in experimenting. Once they perceive the right type of partner, etc, they will not hesitate to accept him / her regardless of consequences. They are very sincere and affectionate towards the partner. Yet there may be a wide gap in the ages of the partners. Partners born with Dhanishtha will be determined and somewhat obstinate, but with Punarvasu they are idealistic with a good sense of life. With Shatataraka, physical drawbacks cannot be ruled out.

Piscean subjects have a love of pleasures and arts. They have attraction for many things at a time and the same is reflected in their nature. They, being emotional, may have attachment towards many, and hence they cannot be considered as reliable or trustworthy unless and until they declare it as such. Their good intentions are, on many occasions, likely to be misunder-

stood. Persons born with Purva-Bhadrpadā will be an ideal partners, but with Revati, though skilled, are likely to be indulgent in some external happiness whereas with Uttarashadha they will be able to control their passions and emotions to the extent necessary.

While concluding it can be said that though marriage partners are destined to meet on earth, in fact, according to an old adage "marriages are made in heaven" there is a reasonable scope for human efforts to make life comfortable, happy and tolerable by knowing it as such through the science of fore-knowledge or astrology.



Business or Service

Whether one would find fortune in business or service is a question usually an astrologer has to reply.

The problem is rather ticklish and every young man or woman has to face this dilemma at the time of starting his or her career.

Majority of youngsters aspire to business rather than service but only few have the luck to initiate business in spite of their competence knowledge of assorted business subjects. Fortunate lads have proved pioneers in the field of business.

Business means one's own occupation, commercial firm, allied interests. Service implies a servant's status, wherein a Master-Servant relation emerges. The businessman is free to decide his fortune at his own sweet will, yet a servant's fate is tied to someone else or authority. In short, the former is independent whereas the latter is dependent.

Money Gains

Business and service can be distinguished so far as monetary gains are concerned. A servant may be of a high status, Government official or a head of a firm (administrative), but his income is fixed and he can get it on the day fixed, say after

close of month or according to the contract made with the employer. The business-man can earn thousands of rupees in the twinkling of an eye, or may lose lakhs of rupees in one single transaction. A servant has no such tide or job in his earnings.

With this background it will now be easy to base the two characteristic of two distinct professional lines on an astrological basis.

In a horoscope, the 11th, 2nd, 5th and 9th houses and planets therein are the indicators of fluctuating and sumptuous money gains. Such of the persons who have sound planetary positions in those houses should aspire to business lines. Efficiency, luck, daring, inventive methods, proper employment of person, and partners are some of the additional meritorious points that are required to be considered for business.

Pre-requisites

A Planet or a group of planets which has a particular bearing on assorted business lines is required to be reckoned first. Besides, businessmen must have inborn and insatiable thirst for earning money. In technical terms, it is called acquisitiveness or greedy tendencies. Planets in the 2nd or 11th house indicate such trends. Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn which are earthy signs betoken the hunger for money and unlimited possession.

The Sun represents power of expression and self-assertion. Mars gives courage or at times unthoughtful action and adventure. Venus betokens finance and luck. Mercury denotes mathematical proficiency. Steady luck and prosperous position can be judged from Jupiter. Saturn is an efficient organizer; Herschel, Neptune denote insight and foresight.

Service

Service personnel must possess a loyal and faithful character. Fiery signs indicate loyalty and devotion. They tend to make the individuals do their job sincerely, faithfully to the superiors, expectation and satisfaction of their (owner) or sovereign or nation. Planets in the 10th house do indicate tendencies of the

servant. Scorpians for good for secret services. Saturn gives judicial tendencies if aspected by Jupiter, and renders political acumen and a crafty nature.

The Sun, Mars and Herschel, if afflicted, denounce authority ruthlessly regardless of consequences. However, arrogance and stubborn attitude towards authority are bad qualities for servant. Inauspicious aspects between the Sun and Saturn are not considered good for the servant. Saturn brings coldness and indifference and creates undue consciousness of rights. Moon--Mars, if afflicted, prompts people to act on fits of temper. Neptune brings a dreamy nature. Herschel brings rebellious motives. All these bad qualities are not suitable for servicemen.

Part - time Jobs

Some professionals, viz., doctors and engineers, in addition to their normal service, find luck in private practice, either officially or unofficially. At times, their extra income exceeds their normal monthly salaries.

Some people have an innate love towards some of the fancies, viz., artistic pursuits writing, craftsmanship, engineering, mechanical skill, etc. Such persons start their career in service as a stepping-stone and gradually shift to their choice in business. In such people's horoscope, the 2nd house and planets therein are important. This change can be indicated by applying the mechanism of dashes.

Example

Two horoscopes, one of a businessman and the other of a civil servant are given with a view that the above principles can be applied systematically to delve deep into the subject.

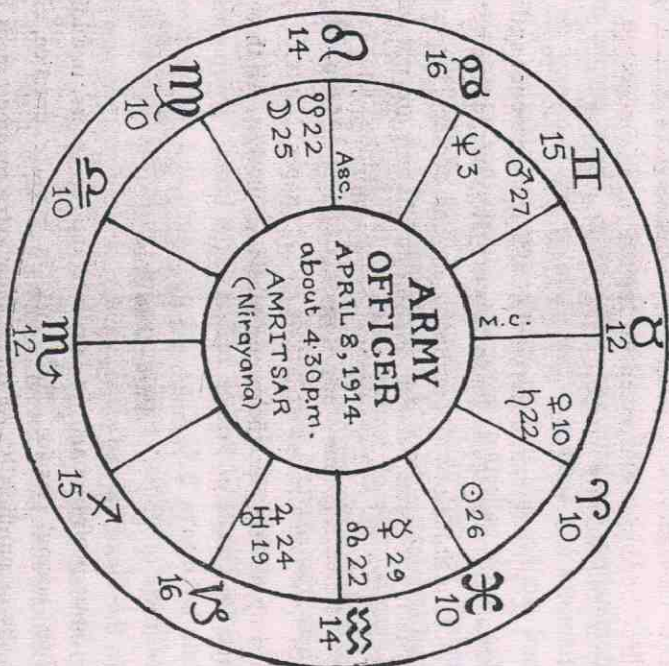


Chart I

This chart is one of an eminent Army Commander. The degree rising on the ascendant describes him as a "soldier prepared for a battle" and this is consistent with his present career. His father was a well-known doctor who naturally wished that his son should also take up the same career. The planets, however, ordained him to be a soldier, as a result of which he made his entry into the army as a Commissioned Officer and at present he is installed at a high enough place in the army.

Leo rising on the ascendant, created love for service. He chose the job faithfully and sincerely which has brought him the highest reward in service career. Saturn has made him a strict disciplinarian in all walk of life.

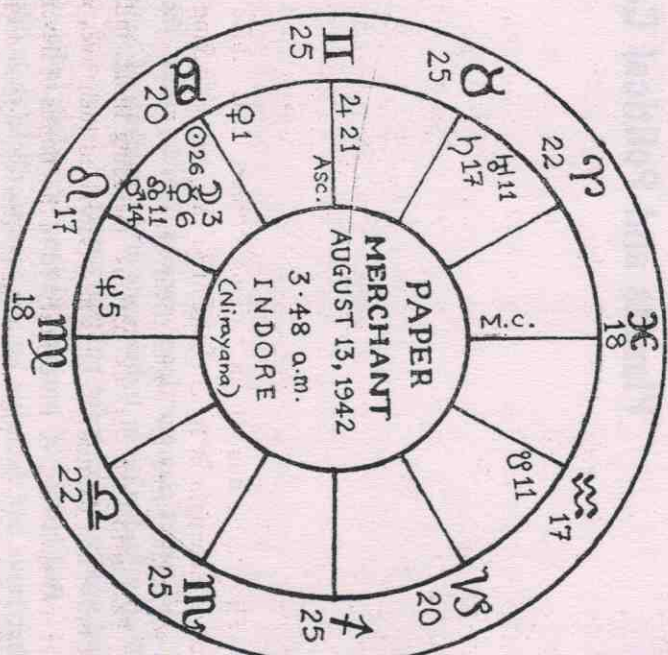


Chart II

This person belongs to a middle-class family with education. After post-graduation he entered business and he is a paper magnate in Madhya Pradesh. It was confidently predicted by me that in a short period he would start his paper-mill.

Four planets are in the 2nd house and two in the house. This is a fine illustration that augurs well for a business career.

In the light of what has been discussed above, interested readers may study their own horoscope and decide which suits them best.

Planets and Political Career

Planets and Political Career : 37

There is clamour from various corners that there is no effective leadership in Indian spite of a number of young men and women, aspiring for political career.

Past history of various nations including India indicates that brave and dauntless leaders have sacrificed their lives with a cheer and smile to free the country from the bonds of slavery and navigated the fateful journey of the motherland, safe and successfully, unmindful of innumerable and calamitous odds.

Pre-requisites

The division of the zodiac is made of three groups, each consisting of four, signs, viz. Fixed, Cardinal and Common. The first group viz Taurus, Leo Scorpio and Aquarius mostly fixed in outlook and hence it has been rightly called as conservative, if afflicted, stupid, tyrannical, or dictatorial. The second group, viz Gemini, Virgo Sagittarius and Pisces, though practical and adaptable is yet flexible. It lacks confidence and is mostly incapable of shouldering heavy responsibilities being highly emotional and touchy.

The third group consisting of Aries, Capricorn, especially Cancer and Libra, is purposive in action, pushful, active

dominating, energetic and enthusiastic. There people move by emotions and feelings. They have inborn tendency to endure and sacrifice and stick to certain ideas and ideals. They have the art of collective groupism. Though they move along with masses yet they guide and control it with determination, courage and foresight. They have a dynamic outlook. Either Libran or Cancerian type of leaders have so far been able to lead the countries to the heights of glory and helped the masses to free them from slavery, dependence.

Gandhiji of India, Hitler of Germany, Stalin of Russia and De Gaulle of France, belong to the Libra group whereas the late Lokmanya B G Tilak, Pandit Nehru and the present Prime Minister of India, Indiraji, come under the Cancerian group. In the former group statesmanship is prominent whereas the latter group is practical and fitted to democratic spirit and principles. Leaders with Libra ascendants, are well known for their unity, amicable settlement and balanced behaviour towards the realisation of aims and objects whereas patriotism in the Cancer group arises mainly, out of restlessness. They know when to advance and how to retreat in view of the fact that they give due consideration to the wish and will of the masses yet at times they become puppets in the hands of followers because of emotional approach and undue fear. It is their defect that once they occupy an enviable position they stick to it at any cost. They lack straightforwardness and daring. Libran groups are more ambitious and they feel that the masses should follow them ungrudgingly and regardless of consequences. On certain occasions over-ambitious nature has destroyed them along with the followers in spite of their sincere efforts for freeing the homelands from the clutches of a foreigners.

Patriotism

Mr. C. E. O. Carter, eminent Western Astrologer, has correctly characterised patriotism on astrological basis and I am tempted to reproduce this passage. "True love of country as a

sentiment is a Cancerian trait and most patriots have this sign prominent. But many who are so called, and who perhaps have even performed deeds of great values to their countries have been actuated by such motives as duty (Saturn), resistance to aggression (Mars) or love of freedom (Jupiter or Herschel)

"Astrology enables true patriotism to be detected, and at the same time, although few national horoscopes are obtainable it may usually be judged that a person who has many planets strong in a certain sign will do well for himself when a country is ruled by that sign, and in turn, may benefit the country."

Popularity

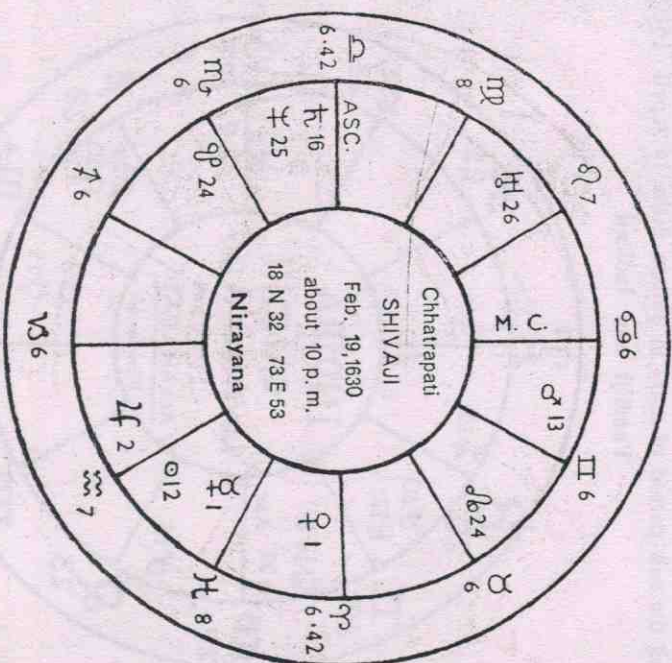
In astrology, the Moon is said to be the planet of the masses or people at large. The leader, whether social or political, is always concerned with the masses or followers. Hence it is essential that the Moon and its own sign Cancer are most significant in this respect. The other planet which is of equal importance to assess the popularity of the leader is Venus and its ruling sign, Libra. Both these planets, their own signs Libra and Cancer must be strong, both by sign and housewise, in the horoscopes of political leaders.

The late Lokmanya B. G. Tilak had the Sun in the 'ascendant' itself, the Moon-Jupiter in trine to the Sun in the 9th house. Mahatma Gandhi had the Moon in Cancer in Ashlha asterises on the tenth house. Hitler and De Gaulle had Herschel in Libra on the ascendant.

The great statesman

After reading various books and treatises on Shivaji, my impression about him is that he was an able statesman rather than a warrior. Considering the feats he performed, it could be asserted that he was born with Libra ascendant with Sagittarius Navamansha. In his horoscope there is a grand trine of Saturn Sun-mars in the most natural houses, and that had proved him with foresight, courage and active imagination, which led to the successful culmination of his policies.

He was very practical and shrewd in tackling his enemies. He never succumbed to over-ambition like Hitler and Napoleon.



Saturn in the ascendant made him conscious of his merits and defects and the situation in which he was placed during the whole period of his life.

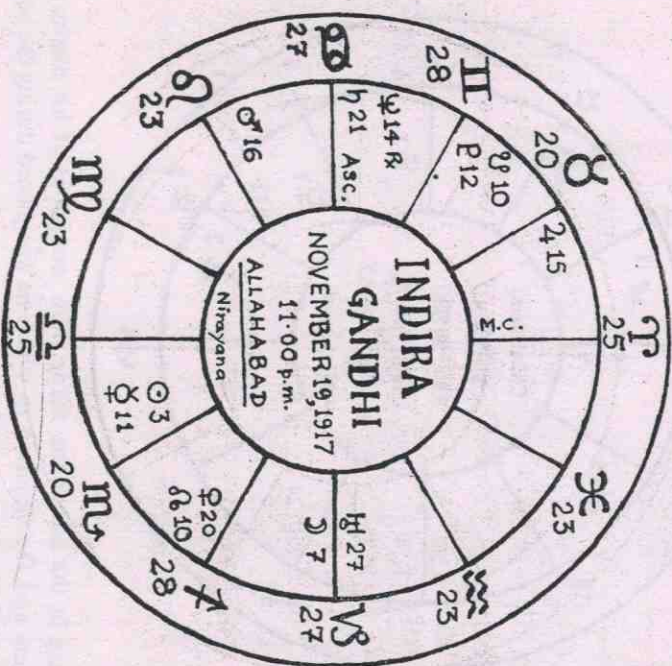
He had Mars dasha at the time of birth (balance 2 years 6 months). Hence the dasha was as follows :—

9th Feb, 1630 + 2 years and 6 months (Mars) + 18 years Rahu + 16 years Jupiter + 19 years Saturn.

The historical landmarks indicate that he had sufficient time for consolidation and strengthening his strategy from 12th sept. 1666 onwards which coincide with a miraculous escape from Agra, when he was 36 years old. On the top of this, when he was getting *Shukra Bhukti* between 1673 and 77, his coronation ceremony was performed. The subsequent success

period was found to be troublesome and he breathed his last during the sub-period of mars in Saturn disha in April 1680.

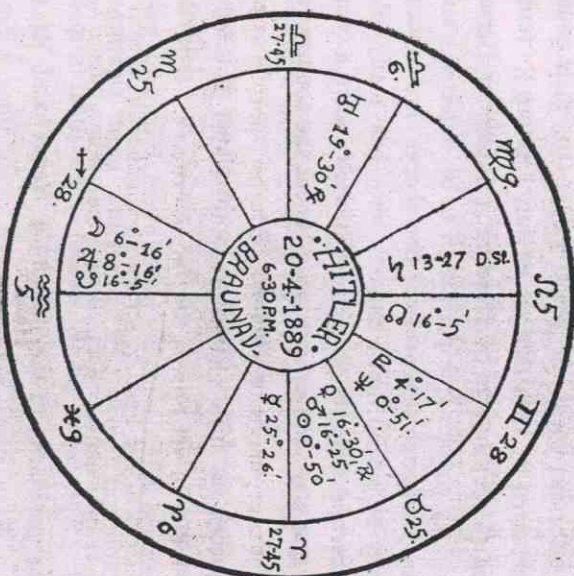
Panditji and Indiraji



Jawaharlal Nehru had the Moon lord of ascendant itself, and in Ashlesha, whereas Indira Gandhi has Saturn and Neptune in Cancer in Ashlesha. The former was rather moody, popular but the latter though moody prefers to act and think in isolation to satisfy her own desires according to her own conviction and belief.

Failures

It was wrong to presume that leaders of world eminence did not meet with failures in their lives, either prior to ascending are the horizon or thereafter. Warrior Napoleon had to spend his last days in captivity. Hitler, who had ambition to conquer the world had to shoot himself because of over-ambitious nature Neptune in the 8th house in the chart of



Subhashchandra Bose who fought gallantly against British rule, had a mysterious ending. Though Mahatmajji preached the creed of non-violence and love of all, he himself was the unfortunate target of assassination owing to Moon-Rahu in the 10th house. Mussolini had to commit suicide owing to bad planetary position in the 7th house. planets had virtually made a coup against Shri Nehru by frustrating his dreams of peaceful and co-operative alignment with all the axis powers when Saturn was transiting in opposition to radical Moon and square to radical Sun, Mercury and Venus. As predicted earlier, President De Gaulle had to resign the Presidentship abruptly possibly to avoid further failure in his life.

Those who wish to assess their own relative chances of success or otherwise in the field of politics may perhaps enter into a dialogue with their ruling planets and estimate their prospects.

Planets and Transfers

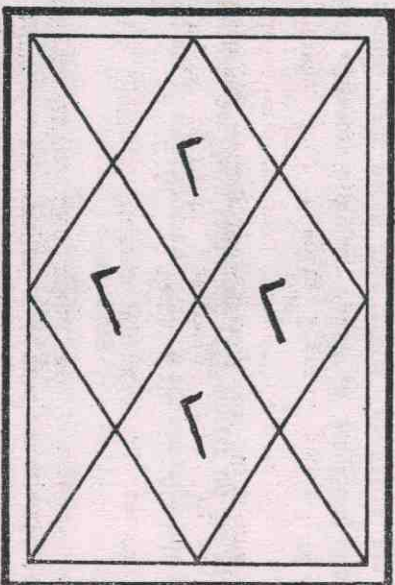
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Any change, major or minor, disturbs normal working, On many occasions such changes are undesirable but in some cases profitable. In yet others, they are inevitable.

Transfers in the lives of servants, whether in Government or private employment, affect them financially, mentally and physically.

Houses

The tenth ascendant, seventh and fourth houses, in order are most significant in this respect. I need not explain the crucial importance of the tenth house it governs professional



or vocational activities. Any displacement or affliction to the above houses creates sensation, possibility of a transfer and shift. The ascendant denotes personality and environment. The fourth house, though not directly connected, denotes welfare or otherwise of domestic life. The seventh comes directly in aspect with an ascendant or in square aspect to the 10th and 4th. In short, all these houses are in Kendras and connected with transfer.

Zodiacal sign

Of the three groups, Cardinal signs, Aries, Libra, Cancer, and Capricorn, being movable are more susceptible to frequent transfers. Fixed signs, Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius, are inclined towards fixity of stay, purpose and case, persons born on these ascendants have a peculiar liking for a particular place and they may even forego promotions, if they are transferred. No definite indications can be given of common signs, viz-Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces, unless the planets placed in the signs are taken into consideration. Usually, individuals born on these ascendants prefer transfers only on promotion, otherwise they will hesitate to leave the cost of their personal comforts

Planets

The Sun, being the planet of vitality and energy, indicates status and position of a servant. Any affliction to the radical Sun brings or changes in the life of a servant. Affliction to it due to Saturn, Herschel or Neptune creates loss of prestige or, status, abrupt and unforeseen changes, scandals and prejudices involving immediate transfers.

The real celestial culprit responsible for abrupt changes is Mars. It creates energetic activities and enthusiasm in the house in which it is placed. Its transit in the above four houses creates possible changes against the wish and will of the individual. Its rotation in 12 signs is completed usually within about 1 1/2 years. Those who have Mars or the Sun on the 10th house cusp or ascendant (or in the fourth according to principles of polarity)

in the radical chart, should always bear in mind that Mars's transit over those planets is mostly accompanied by transfer. Two of my friends, who have retrograde Mars on 10th have both to undergo transfers at an interval of two years.

Saturn, being slow moving, is said to be a stabilising planet. It is lazy and at the same time brings confinement to a place for years together. I have come across more than 30 to 40 persons having Saturn in Libra or Capricorn or Aquarius or Taurus ascendants. They retired the same job and from the same place were employed. They were occasionally transferred to different offices without change of head quarters for a very negligible period.

Herschel is an eccentric planet and it requires at least 6 to 7 years to transit in a sign. It betokens suddenness. When it forms square aspect to radical planets placed in **Kendras**, transfers by wire or telephone could be anticipated as rule.

Neptune is slower than the two planets mentioned above. Yet it creates an confusing and prejudicial atmosphere causing transfers, mysteriously. Jupiter is the greatest benefic and its transit over the 9th, 10th and 11th houses or over the radical Sun, Mars and the Moon, enhances the position and status and helps to get a transfer to a desired place.

Proceeding on leave

Proceeding on leave is defined as absence from duty with or without sanction. When the Sun or Mars transits in the 4th or at times 7th houses in the charts, the servants are likely to proceed on leave either by force or willingly, which could be judged from the strength of radical planets in the horoscope.

While concluding the discussion, it can be said that if the above principles are properly observed, one can predict the probable time of transfer or changes in working life. Likewise persons desirous of a transfer or reluctant to be transferred should put in their request to the employers at the most opportune time with special reference to their charts, in order to avoid disappointments and to achieve the desired ends.

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Outlook Towards Money

Every man and woman is of acquisitive nature and desires to possess adequate money for leading comfortable life. In practical life, money has four important functions, viz, as a medium, of transactions, a measure of value, a standard of payment and also as a reservoir.

It is true that all are not fortunate to possess it in abundance, or those who are lucky to have it either by 'stroke of luck' or by hard labour, are not careful in spending in wisely or some are extremely stingy, and hence they cannot enjoy the material happiness of money owing to excessive greed for hoarding it.

Let us see on astrological principles how we are destined to earn it and what are the guiding characteristics of the heavenly planets.

Statistics

Astrologers in the past have carried out a survey to assess the relative variations in monetary status, on broad lines, and on scrutiny of the data, they have found out of that in the birth of rich persons of the world, though born in all the seasons, viz. Spring, Winter and Summer, there is still a measurable difference

of 5 to 6 degrees over each other. It means, Arians, Taurans and Geminians establish superiority over Capricornians, Aquarians and Pisceans. The remaining group, viz. Autumn born, are lowest, say only about 15 to 16 degrees.

Characteristics

Earthy or Artha Tatra group, viz. Taurans, Virgoans and Capricornians, although ambitious have excessive greed towards earning and hoarding money and they find it painful to part with acquired or earned money even to meet their own requirements! If forced to part with it, they will offer the minimum. It is my own experience that the above group of persons when they approach me for astrological consultation, feel hesitant to pay the remuneration. Their actions are purposive. They wish to exploit someone's knowledge or money freely regardless of one's feelings. Taurans are the best example of this type.

Airy or Vayu group, viz. Gemini, Libra and Aquarian folks have reasonable temptation for money. They consider money as a means to an end and not an end in itself. Librans are balanced in their behaviour, whereas Aquarians find pleasure in sacrificing all resources, including money, for the welfare of others. Yogis and Saints are usually born on Aquarius ascendant or in their charts, a group of planets is found in this sign Aquarius.

The Fiery group, viz., Arians, Leonians and Sagittarians have prominent urge to satisfy their appetite. They consider money as the chief means of enjoyment. The Leonian is a best example of this type. However the fiery group is indiscriminate in the use of money since they act on fits of temper. They earn in bulk and spend likewise.

Watery groups, of Cancer, Scorpio and Piscean folk are mainly emotional, but possess lust for storing it. They are mediocre. Neither do they have excessive greed nor do they

exhibit recklessness in its use. Cancer folk and Pisceans are the best example of this type. Scorpions are a special type and stand out prominently. They possess latent yet enormous lust towards happiness including sex and money. Their thirst is insatiable and they struggle for it ceaselessly.

Planets

Venus stands for material happiness, wealth and comfort. Jupiter favours good fortune. Both these planets must be in good aspect either with the Sun or the Moon or both. Both in the second and 5th houses render ancestral property, wealth sound financial position of father at the time of birth. Luck speculation can very well be judged from the 5th house and planets therein. Planets in the 8th house denote gain by legacy through corrupt practice. Afflictions to these houses inculcate bad habits and indolence, and wasteful expenditure. The affluent leads to vices and immorality.

Mars and Saturn, being malefic, may not be considered conducive to easy gains or success in view of the fact that Mars is impetuous whereas Saturn, melancholy. Affliction of Mars creates extravagance, whereas Saturn induces misery. Herschel influences create either good or bad tendencies, which should be judged carefully from the aspects it forms with others. Neptune being dreamy, betokens illusive tendencies, yet it is favourable for one who wants to find financial gains or fortune in the film industry or business connected with the sea. If it is afflicted, it is responsible for unfair, tricky or mysterious gains. The eleven house and planets therein indicate fabulous money gains mainly through the vocation in which the individual is placed.

Indications

Following are some of the guide lines for various persons born under the 12 zodiacal signs to gain money and wealth.

Aries : Army, Engineering skill, if Krittika is powerful.

Taurus : Arts if Rohini is prominent. Otherwise Engineering, Agricultural activities, if Krittika and Mrig are on ascendant or M. C.

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Gemini : Lines of communications including writing, journalism or linguist.

Cancer : Watery, preferably white liquid substances. Commodities of every-day use. Social work or political work where democracy rules the country.

Leo : Stage, Screen, Engineering, Stock Exchange.

Virgo : Writings or trusted job such as Manager or Secretary.

Libra : Agencies including broker, if Swati or Banking if Vishakh is prominent.

Scorpio : Chemists, surgeons, sailors, banking, assorted trades of secret types. Politics where dictatorial element is prominent.

Sagittarius : Sports, games, law, religious pursuit, educational activities and publication connected with them.

Capricorn : Employment or service, politics and social work, business management.

Aquarius : Research work, teaching job, criticism.

Pisces : Trades connected with luxuries, viz. footwear, sea.

Certainly, everybody's outlook towards this magic and strategic money is very serious. It would be in the fitness of things that this aspect should be studied in all its dimensions to make the life comfortable, easy and successful.



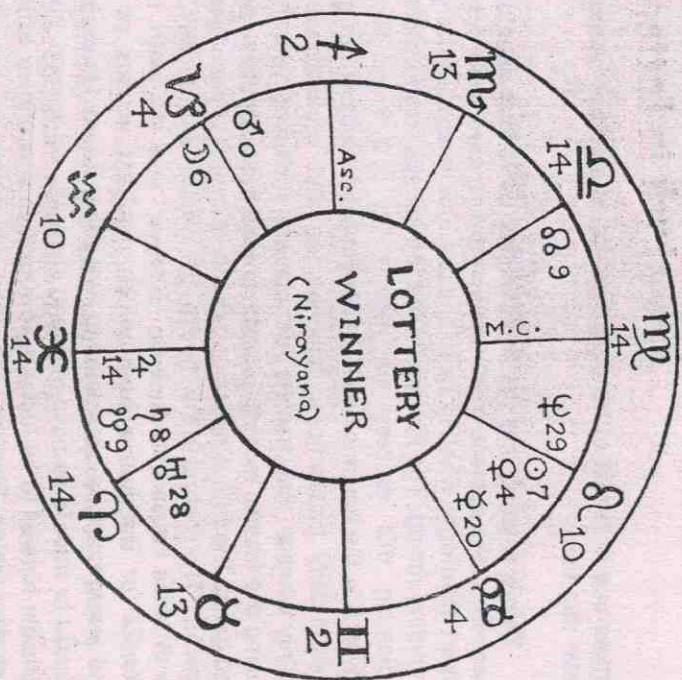
Luck in Lotteries

Lotteries, sponsored by various State Governments, have created a fascination among the general public. It is said that this measure is adopted by the Government to control illicit gambling. Governments have thus offered opportunities to 'get-rich-quick.' "

Numerous readers have insisted upon me to deal with this subject. Lot of people with soaring hopes are usually disappointed when the results are declared, only a few souls are lucky to be jubilant.

Whatever may be the case, nobody realizes that special luck is required in this speculative gain. It differs from the other money-earning methods such as racing, gambling, or stocks and share business as there is practically very little scope for human intellect to employ. There is no risk in it. Investment in this sport is negligible. One single ticket of a rupee may bring lakhs of rupees in a single day.

Since there is a casual relation between planetary movements in the heaven and man's action in the day-to-day affairs, the horoscope of every individual is the only pointer to indicate his past, present and future. Unless there are favourable planetary aspects in the radical chart, one should not expect too much in a lottery.



The fifth, second and eleventh houses, and their lords and planets in those houses are required to be judged very carefully to assess special luck in a lottery or speculative gains. The fifth is a house of 'Purva-Karma' or 'Prarabha' or 'Sanchit' whereas the eleventh is a house of gains and the second of wealth and money. Unless these house are loaded or their lords properly placed and aspected no man should be considered lucky or fortunate in speculative gains including lottery and racing.

When to Purchase

Once for all, if one is sure that he/she is sufficiently fortunate or lucky, then another important factor remains : when to purchase a ticket or a coupon.

Auspicious Day

delective of the day of draw, one has to pick up the

proper day or an event to purchase a coupon to be lucky. The following three rules may be considered as pointers :

On the day :-

- 1) Transiting Moon must be in 5th, 11th or 2nd house.
- 2) The Moon or major planets in Sampat Nakshatra, 12nd from birth star.
- 3) Moon or other auspicious planets for a particular ascendant must form good aspect to the Pais-fortuna, if it is properly placed in the above houses.

Example

One of my friends whose original horoscope conformed the above principles was advised to purchase three tickets three different dates. He was lucky to win a handsome prize.

A lucky man was successful in winning the first prize in lottery very recently. In his horoscope, the 5th, 2nd and 9th houses are loaded. There is mutual reception aspect of lords of the 5th and 2nd and the lord of the 9th in 9th. It means good fortune. The chart shown above is of a lottery winner.

A Warning

The above is a rough outline on which basis one may assess a fortune in lottery. In addition to the above, the strength planetary positions according to 'Vargabala' especially Navamsha and Dasha will have to be taken into account before entering into the play. All these will have to be checked by expert astrologer.

Planets and Horse-Racing

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Unless one is certain of his own map, he should not venture to enter this field.

Before entering into the complexities of various astrological theories on the subject, one must first get it confirmed from an expert astrologer whether he or she has luck in speculative gains including racing. The houses in the horoscope responsible for indicating this success are mainly 11, 5, 2, 9 and 10. The eleventh is the house of wish fulfillment and fluctuating gains. Even in daily transactions, businessmen and professionals will mainly witness that transits of planets including the Moon (being the fastest moving planet) always bring unusual profits and gains. The fifth is house of "Purva-Karma", "prabdha" or *Sanchit*. The second is the house of wealth and money. The ninth is the house of fortune or 'Bhagya' and the tenth is of 'Karma' or the house from which resultant actions of past and present can be considered to judge the future. Unless these houses or their lords have inherent strength, no person should consider himself to be lucky or fortunate in speculative activities including racing. Even on the day of racing or speculative activities, they should check up that major planets or at least the Moon are transiting in those houses especially in the eleventh or the fifth. Otherwise whatever may be the prospective card, hints tips and suggestions, one should not indulge in such fluctuating, games.

Other side

Once for all, if you are sure that you are sufficiently fortunate or lucky on a particular day, then alone the question of choice of a particular horse in a particular race or an event raises.

There are a number of theories both based on astrology and numerology to find out a winner or winners. To mention a few is not possible if this short treatise. The simplest method for whatever it is worth, is described below :

The punter must have some workable knowledge of erecting a chart of an event of a given time, at any place and the numbers assigned to planets.

Some people have a fascination for this royal sport either as a game or as a method of "getting-rich-quick."

Numerous readers of mine have insisted upon my tackling this subject. Lots of people return home from Mahalaxmi with disappointment whereas a few souls turn out jubilant. Successful punters blow their trumpets and claim that their theories or judgments are correct, whereas those who have lost, blame their fate. Whatever may be the case, nobody realizes that there is a definite law at work in this sphere, otherwise on single soul cannot claim all the luck to earn lakhs of rupees in the twinkling of an eye when some horses, trainers and owners assiduously make a pilgrimage to the holy place for years together.

This is the play of "luck" which is always missing for most. I have chosen to discuss this important and vital issue purely on an astrological basis.

Fortune

There is more than a casual relation between planetary movements in the heavens and man's actions in even the day-to-day affairs. The map of the heavens at the time of birth or an event is the only pointer to indicate his past, present and future

Number

Since antiquity the virtue and power of numbers has been the subject-matter of many philosophers and thinkers. All of them have advanced justification in their own way. The underlying principles are more or less identical. However, a difference of opinion still prevails.

Planets	Numbers given Jon. Haydon's Western System	Mine
The Sun	1 & 4	1
Moon	2 & 7	2
Mars	9	3
Rahu (D. Head)	—	4
Jupiter	3	5
Saturn	8	6
Mercury	5	7
Ketu (D. tail)	--	8
Venus	6	9

The authenticity or accuracy of assignment of numbers to the planets according to my system can be verified through one's own experience.

Once the planetary values and their indicative numbers are committed to memory, then the rest appears to be very simple. Usually the races start at an interval of half an hour. Erect a chart of a given time of each and every race for the place where the race takes place. The planets on the ascendant, tenth and fifth seventh and ninth houses are the real indicators of winners second and third etc.

When my friends insist on finding a winner, and when a few challenge the efficacy of astrology, I have to satisfy them by telling them beforehand the best and surest probable winners without referring to the tipsters of the avowed views of the punters. I may illustrate one instance to substantiate the validity of my system.

Once, out of extreme curiosity, I accompanied one of my friends to Bombay on 26th Jan 1962. The main attraction the day was the "Indian Oaks." The race was scheduled to start at 3-40 p.m. at Bombay. I had absolutely no idea about the favourite. I even did not know then the meaning of 'win place' leave aside the treble event, forecast pool etc. Having carefully studied all the pros and cons of the planetary position of the horoscope, I declared without making any secret that horse No. 8 would be the positive winner of that important event, as Ketu (D. tail) was close to the ninth house cusp and no other planet was at the sensitive point except Mars the eight. However, I considered that the planet at 9th house cusp was more important than that of 8th.

I was ridiculed by the mob around me when I indicated No. 8 as the winner. I was simply looked upon as a novice, and was no wonder that my choice was overlooked and set aside preference to another horse, "High Party" which was unbeatable and second to none; as she had earlier won two or three classic with handsome dividends.

The race started at about 3-42 p.m. There were 12 runners. When all the horses galloped towards the winning post, there was dead silence as my horse had won. A few who had courage to accept my prediction earned a thousand and odd on my horse. I was very exhilarated and exalted as I was one of the few luckiest punters on the course who could fish a fortune.

A few who consult me frequently bear testimony to the accuracy of the prediction, and it is needless to mention that very rarely they suffer a monetary loss. This proves that there is a rhythm in everything around us.

A Warning

Speculation appears to be inherent in human nature. In politics, social work, business, profession or even in service one's career and status is always at stake. Mythological and religious stories render ample testimony in this respect. The 'Pandavas' had to lose their kingdom in 'Dyut' (Gambling) and had to abdicate their throne for 12 years. All that would

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have been avoided had Dharmaraj got verified his horoscope before accepting the challenge.

Any type of speculation, whether small or big, is bad. "The work of the so-called tipster in the word is to relieve fools of their superfluous cash," said Mr. Sepharial. No theory is perfect in the world which can give 100% correct results. The surest way is to check the individual horoscope, to find out whether he is fortunate in this respect. "Discretion is the better part of valour," and wise men will always follow the simple rules described above.

Arbitrary and indiscriminate investment in any enterprise brings ultimate despair and is fraught with great risk and loss. Of course, this is not to say that those who have made fortunes had embarked upon the venture after consulting astrologers, but if they do so hereafter, they will be in a position to know beforehand whether the time is propitious and opportune for them to launch the rocket of their fortune !



Planets and Travel

Usually, there is much curiosity about travel prospects in the minds of persons and this chapter explains the possibilities of travel, and seeks to indicate the auspicious periods to undertake the same, avoiding where necessary if the time is not so profitable, astrologically.

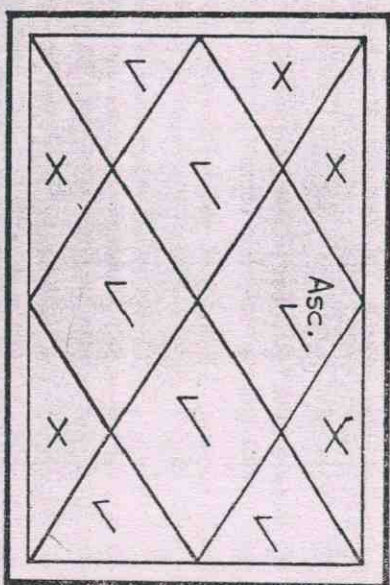
"Breathes there the man with soul so dead who hath ever said to himself that he does not like travel ?" There is always a charm and thrill in travels. Travels are undertaken sometimes for certain definite purposes, or even for the sake of pleasure and recreation. In spite of modern amenities and equipment, all journeys do not prove to be comfortable or safe. The following guidelines should, it is hoped, prove useful before undertaking journey.

Ascendants

Persons born with Aries, Cancer, Libra and Capricorn ascendants are always in the habit of travelling. These signs being cardinal, the natives like some activity all the while of any sort, and they cannot afford to be idle. Men with Taurus, Leo, Scorpio and Aquarius ascendants seldom feel any inclination to move from one place to another. These signs are of

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fixed nature. But when they decide to step out, they require compact and a well-chalked out programme with all the arrangements made in advance. No certainty, either way, can be indicated.



ed in respect of persons with Gemini, Virgo, Sagittarius and Pisces ascendants; but, usually, they prove to be good companions when on journey.

Planets

Saturn, the planet of limitation and cold, has usually aversion for travel. Being practical, serious and responsible, it prefers loneliness. Persons of Saturnian characteristics undertake journey when absolutely necessary, not otherwise. The Moon, most responsive and fluctuating, is always eager to move. Persons in whose horoscope the Moon especially in watery signs is predominant always take speedily to travels.

The Sun (the planet of vitality) and Jupiter (the planet of expansion) encourage persons to go on journeys whenever there is a specific purpose in view such as profession, service and some religious work. Venus, the planet of love and beauty, always brings about luxury and pleasure trips. Mars, the planet of heat and energy, always induces a man to take up adventurous journeys regardless of future consequences. Neptune always creates confusion and Herschel suddenness. Mercury does not indicate any special characteristics in this respect.

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When to travel

People are often curious to know as to when they should go on a journey. At the outset it must be admitted that for those who are travelling everyday, significantly in big metropolitan cities like Bombay, Calcutta, Delhi, a journey has to be undertaken as a routine and they cannot afford to choose to a particular moment as auspicious or otherwise in their daily activity.

But when we choose to travel and feel inclined to go on long voyage, either by rail, road, or air for some specific mission, we only wish it to be a successful and safe trip.

In a horoscope, certain houses, viz. the 6th, 8th and 12th are considered as inimical and the transit of planets in those houses is considered as inauspicious. The houses 1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 10th and 11th are of vital significance and transit of planets in those houses is regarded as auspicious for travel.

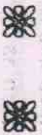
For journeys of short distance and short duration, the auspicious transit of the Moon in the houses marked ✓ is considered sufficient. It is common experience that a journey undertaken on such day is always comfortable and fulfils the purpose in view. For journeys of longer duration and distance, the transit of slow moving planets in those houses is very important. It would be helpful to consult some astrologer of repute on such occasions.

Air Journey

For travel by air, airy signs, viz. Gemini, Libra and especially Aquarius, are essentially to be taken into account, as affliction of planets in those signs always creates some air disasters. We may recall the tragic death of our celebrated scientist, the late Dr. Bhabha, the pioneer founder of Atomic Energy in India, in January and February, 1966, when Mars and Saturn were transiting in Nirayana sign Aquarius and a number of air accidents occurred all over the world.

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It would be prudent for all aspirants to learn the fundamentals of the science and apply their results to their individual horoscopes and take appropriate decisions when going on a journey of a long distance and duration.



Planets and Diagnosis

Modern inventions and researches in various branches of science, including medicine, have been useful for the betterment and well-being of humanity as a whole. Yet there is something hidden which cannot be detected under the stethoscope, X-Ray or modern equipment and, therefore, there is a vast scope for application of astrology for diagnosis, even today.

"A physician cannot safely administer medicine, if he is unacquainted with astrology," said Hippocrates, who is known as the father of medicine. There is much truth in it. Even in Ayurveda, the principles of astrology have been taken into consideration. The science of foreknowledge is not only useful in diagnosing a disease, but also in determining the longevity of the patient before starting the treatment. It is just like testing the pulse of the patient.

Eventhough I am following the principles of astrology to determine the duration and type of sickness of my family members as well as those who seek advice from me, I am tempted to write on this topic in view of a recent experience. One patient was on the point of death even though thousands of rupees had been spent by the relatives for the diagnosis and treatment. All

the efforts of the doctors were in vain. By a stroke of luck or out of frustration, the wife of the patient in a sad mood came to me for consultation.

A mere glance at the horoscope showed that the main cause of sickness was irregular liver-working in view of the fact that inauspicious Mars was placed in the 5th house. I insisted on the point and advised the patient to inform the consulting physician accordingly. A date from which the improvement would be in view was indicated. To their surprise, the patient who was not moving from the bed, showed rapid improvement and could walk a few steps easily soon.

Recently, I read a newspaper report in which it was disclosed that "the camera pictures the faults" on T.V. Monitor as a consulting tool. It is proved in experiments that many patients are able to identify their own abnormal behaviour. They are further motivated to correct it and improve their general appearance.

Due to the above two distinct phases of experience, I am sure that consulting the horoscope for physical as well as psychological maladjustment is definitely less expensive and practical. I have, therefore, proposed to investigate the intensely interesting subject in more detail sometime hence.

Before entering the more intricate and complex principles of astrology and 'occult therapy', we should conceive at least as a working hypothesis, the apparently ancient idea that the misuse of the creative force is the sole cause of the manifestation of disease. As a matter of fact, there is no ill-health in the physical body which did not exist first - in the astral or psychic counterpart - the etheric body.

Sickness in its various forms is caused by the differently composed afflictions of planets in the various signs of the zodiac and houses in the horoscope. For example, weakness of nervous and vital energy arises mainly from the affliction of Saturn to the vital points, viz. the Sun, the Moon and the ascendant. This

causes lessening of the life force and simultaneously increases the tendency towards disease.

Astral Body

Our physical body conforms to a common shape and does not, except in rare abnormal cases, deviate therefrom, because like everything else in nature, it is based directly upon an invisible archetype or pattern. This pattern, the ancients termed the astral body etheric double.

The word "astral" simply means "starry" and refers to the invisible or etheric-matter, out of which this pattern body is constructed. It is so named because through it streamed the magnetic lines of force set into motion by the various planetary and starry bodies.

Hindu astrology believes that we humans live at the bottom of a great ocean, not only of air but of others surrounding the earth. This ocean is divided into four layers corresponding to what the ancients termed earth, water, air and fire.

Disturbances that are latent or active in the astral body sooner or later must find an outlet in the physical. The disease as it is known, is merely the effect of astral causes and unbalanced equilibrium is reestablished, no real cure can be effected.

It is during the first awakening or when the child sees light on the earth, that the astral body is conditioned for life. It means it occurs at birth and is considered as the "horoscope". The planetary forces indicate the trends of life, health or disease stamp impressions upon the astral and in due course of time these latent tendencies work out into material expression.

Nature is not a tyrant. It is called a "fair and beneficent mother, giving to each and every one only the just outcome of his living. It is for us to learn to co-operate with her. It is wise course, therefore, to strengthen weak centres or to curb trends of mind and emotion which are capable of disastrous reactions. The horoscope is a wonderful weapon or machine through which the latent tendencies can be very well judged.

Planets

The Sun is known as Hyleg or giver of life or source of energy, prominently in the horoscope of a male. It also represents hereditary tendencies. When I have gone through the horoscopes of one or two generations of the same family, this presupposition is confirmed.

The Moon is Hyleg or life giver especially to the female and it denotes functional derangement, diseases which affect the system through diet, climate, etc. It indicates mainly the mind.

Saturn is considered as a great malefic and is responsible for disease manifestation. It causes defects, sluggishness of the various systems, blood stream, obstructions and impediments. All chronic diseases such as rheumatism, gout, constipation, atrophy, hardening of the arteries, etc., come under Saturn.

Mars is the circulator of blood. It causes all types of fevers or inflammatory action, haemorrhage, operations accidents, infection or contagious diseases.

Jupiter, even though it is called the greatest benefic, causes diseases arising out of over-assimilation of food, disorders of the blood, liver affection, diabetes, high blood pressure and congestion.

Venus causes virulent effusion, diphtheria, tonsillitis, throat ailments, venereal disease, goitre, renal disorder and lastly ophthalmic troubles.

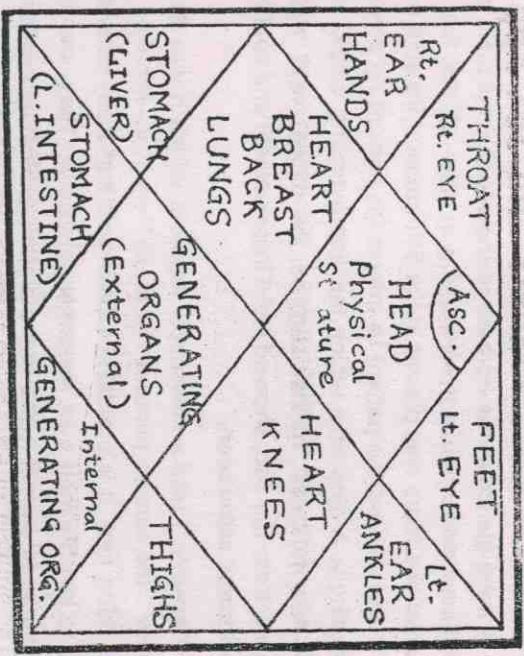
Mercury creates nervous troubles, affliction of the respiratory tract, impediment to speech, brain trouble, neurasthenia, headache, etc.

Neptune causes depletion of tissues, wasting, nervous collapse, obscure diseases such as comas, paralysis, trance, etc.

Herschel brings spasmodic affections, severe, virulent and sudden nervous troubles, ruptures, cramps and hallucination, etc.

Parts of the body

The diagram will indicate the various parts of the body as are usually reckoned from the horoscope.



While summing up the discussion, I may add that these are the synopsis of the vast subject. Intricate and different systems to judge the trends of the various diseases will require specialised treatment, and will run into distinct volumes by themselves. In this topic I have deliberately not referred to the relationship of the zodiacal signs to the physical body inasmuch as Nakshatras or asterisms are of vital importance. In addition the astrologer should take into account the positions of the fixed stars at the sensitive points, such as the ascendant, the 10th house the 7th, and the planets, etc., while arriving at the final conclusion.



Planets and Sex Appeal

The problem of sex, though intricate, has immense scope and natural attraction. It is not confined to any individual country or group in isolation, or even a selected few individuals but it embraces the whole universe and affects all aspects of human life in its varied dimensions and peculiarities.

Sex-Stimulating Water

There is abundant data available about a variety of sex stimulating drugs, fruits and some rare herbs. But, very recently, there was sensational news about sex stimulating water which read : "Once sleepy Bosnian town has been turned overnight into a virile commercial enterprise by the supposed sexually stimulating water that bubbles from a nearby mountain stream. Four million litres of the water is in process of being exported to West Germany, Israel, the U. S. A. and France. The water selling about 35 cents or Rs. 2. 62 for two pints." No wonder, therefore, that it should charm the people with its magnetism and create an innate urge and desire among those who are otherwise deficient or suffer a sense of debility or incapacity.

Planets and Sex Appeal :

Revisionism in Sex

In communist countries everything is attempted to be controlled by the State. Still it is most natural and logical that there must be restrictions, one way or the other, on the enterprise State over the inborn tendencies like sex, etc. Soviet Young Communist League at Moscow published a paper explaining the natural delicacies of sexual relationship which was hitherto prohibited in schools though numerous parents and young people were eager to seek advice and information. It only means that sort of revisionism towards sex is essential.

Inborn

Since antiquity, it is observed that the sex impulse or instinct in human beings, as well as other living creatures, is inborn. In other words, the attraction towards the opposite sex is natural, essential and inevitable. Will Durant, eminent philosopher, therefore, rightly observed that 'In the midst of our machine we have lost sight of the fact that basic reality in life is not politics nor industry but human relationship - the association of men with women and parents with a child. About these two foci of life mate love and mother love all life revolves'.

Venus-Instinct

Venus betokens relationship and unification, since it is the planet of love, tender feelings and sex. However, when Venus is instigated or excited by some other planets, mainly by Mars or Herschel, love of similar sex, evaporates and turns dramatically towards the members of the opposite sex whereas any affliction to the sex-creating planet by Saturn, Rahu or Neptune tends to create complications including homo-sexuality, impotence, celibacy etc. In additions to the above planets, the 5th (natural love) and 7th (sexual energy) houses along with ascendant are required to be studied, concurrently.

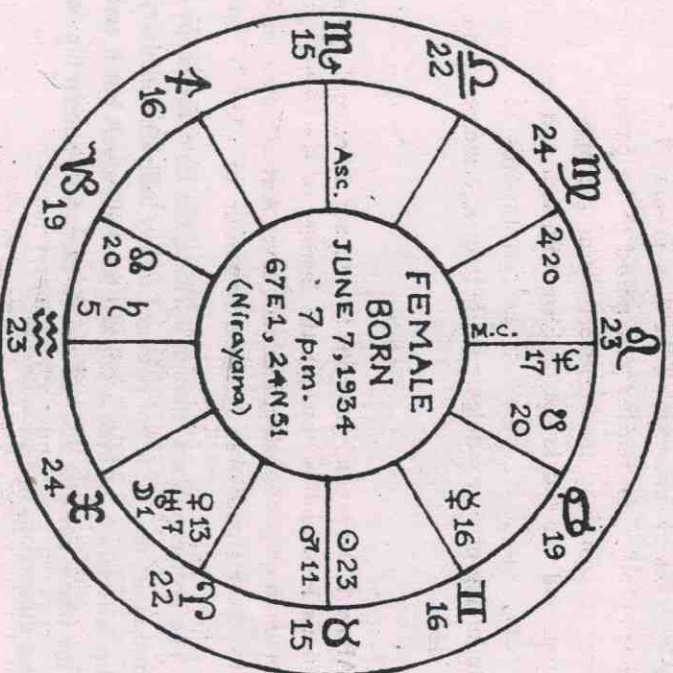
Attitude

Ascendants or Lagnas are considered as pivotal and focal points through which all influences must pass, if they are to manifest in life. The next in order will be the Sun and third, the Moon. I shall try to summarise, in brief the attitude towards sex of different personalities born on the 12 zodiacal signs.

Persons born with fiery signs rising on ascendants, viz., Aries, Leo and Sagittarius, being endowed with the animal spirit, love or pleasure, courage and optimism, are heartfree and possess immense sexual energy. However, their ways and means of satisfaction of sex appeal and pleasure are of primitive or unqualified or queer type. Among the three, Arians are rather rash and act in fits of temper, regardless of its consequences. Leonians look upon sex as a tool of enjoyment and pleasure and lead a merry life inasmuch as they manifest a keen sense of procreation. The lending of the two is nicely reflected in Sagittarians as religion philosophy and higher ideals are the controlling forces inherent in them. They look upon sex, merely as duty and enjoy life with natural hopes and aspirations.

Scorpio

As against the Fiery signs, the extreme is found in Watery signs, viz., Cancer, Scorpio and Pisceans. Sensitiveness towards sex is prominent in them. Self-preservation is natural. They, being emotional, are cautious, at the same time, timid. They act as helpful and sympathetic guardians or custodians. Cancer and Pisceans are the best examples of this type. However, the Scorpio is typically a special type since it is the negative side of Mars. Scorpians possess latent yet enormous sex hunger and ability. If afflicted, preversive sex activities are reflected in them. Judging of Scorpians is required to be made very cautiously with their map as a whole properly studied and evaluated.



This typical scorpioan lady is a house-wife whose moral conduct is reported to be suspicious. Mars-Sun in Taurus (Rohini) in the seventh house indicates undue indulgence in various men for the satisfaction of sexual appetite whereas Moon-Herschel conjunction has added fanciful nature. The serious student should study the chart carefully to understand various characteristics of her sexual behaviour.

Earthy signs, Taurus, Virgo and Capricorn are more or less possessive. It has been aptly said by Mr. C. E. O. Carter that "Psychologically, it shows anxiety stilled in content. It denotes the same attitude towards sex. They need companion ship of the opposite all the while; in certain cases due to this inborn high taste of sex, they are taken into captivity or, dominated by the opposite sex. Taurans and Virgoans are typical examples in this respect. Capricornians, at times artistically conceal their innermost feelings under the grab of practicality.

Airy triplicity supercede all the three groups. They look upon sex intelligently. Geminians can afford to be patient, whereas Librans, though have innate love towards the opposite, can be impartial and can tackle the problem with tact and intelligence. Aquarians, with fixed, inborn tendencies towards sex can sublimate intelligently by indulging in life long or ceaseless studies or lofty ideals.

Planets

Above is the general guideline to estimate the general attitude of various Personalities towards the instinct of sex or biological phenomenon or relationship, i. e. mate-love. Any affliction, major, due to planets provokes irregular behaviour or what is called immorality. Taureans and Scorpians are more susceptible in this respect. Mars, who is responsible for natural animal spirit bring rashness. Herschel is another provocative planet, like Mars. Both create over-stimulation or excess. In good types, Saturn brings control or patience yet under affliction preversions or suppressions. Neptune, more or less, creates abnormal sensitiveness, sensibility or a kind of obsession.

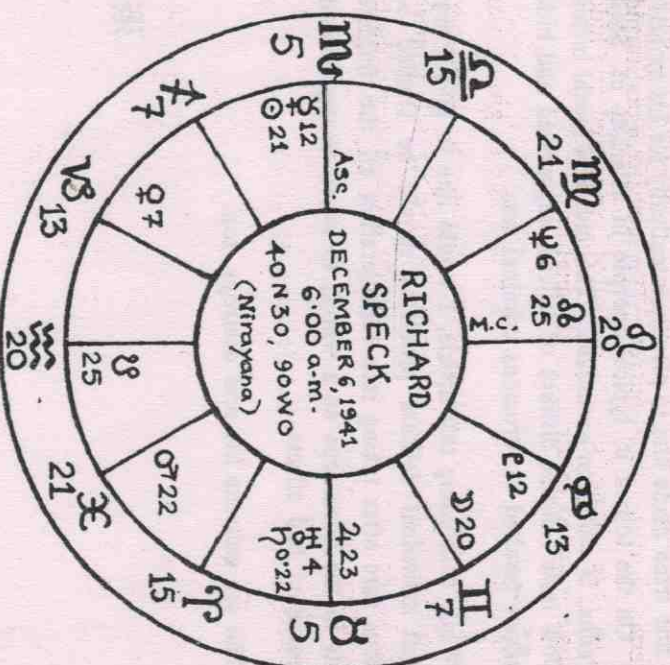
Mass-Murderer

The readers may usefully remember the ghastly story of the mass murderer at Washington Hospital in the recent past. In mid 1966, eight young nurses were murdered one after the other by Richard Speck, a young man of 25, when he was under the influence of intoxicating drugs and drinks.

In my opinion it is a typical example of sex-suppression or perversion which invariably results in hatred and murder. However, the principles of Nirayana system of astrology can very well unearth the mystery of the human psychology and explain further the monstrosity of acts.

His life history, then available, revealed that his father died when he was about 5-6 years old. His mother remarried and

Speck abhorred his step-father. He had no confidence of his own 'Petty crimes' was his second nature since his childhood.



His time of birth has been estimated to be round about Sun-rise, when the 5th degree of Scorpio (Nirayana) was rising on ascendant. Saturn-Herschel in Kritika on the 7th house created abnormal perverted sex energy yet the same plan brought about mental aberration. Venus-Neptune trine (Capricorn Virgo) created a sensitive temperament about the opposite sex yet he must have had no occasion to express it. All this while, all these tendencies remained dormant in his imaginative Opposition between two female planets, Venus-Moon brought sorrows for want of affection and love. Carter called this aspect as self-abnegating type or austere and unfortunate all seventh house matters. In Indian astrology, trine between 3, 7 and 11 is called Kama Trikona. From the same house

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there is a trine between Venus-Saturn and Herschel-Neptune. This fine trine made him to plan systematically for his monstrous acts. On the top of it, typical Scorpio in asterism of Saturn, Anuradha, is rising on ascendant. This indicates moral turpidity and low taste. Bitter dislikes or hatred, suppressed and hidden tendencies resulted in atrocious criminal acts.

While concluding this article, I would like to give a warning that individual delicate problems should be studied with judicious care after taking into consideration all the numerous aspects in the horoscope as a whole, to avoid wrong deduction and resultant bad effects.

The sex enlivens life and destroys, too.

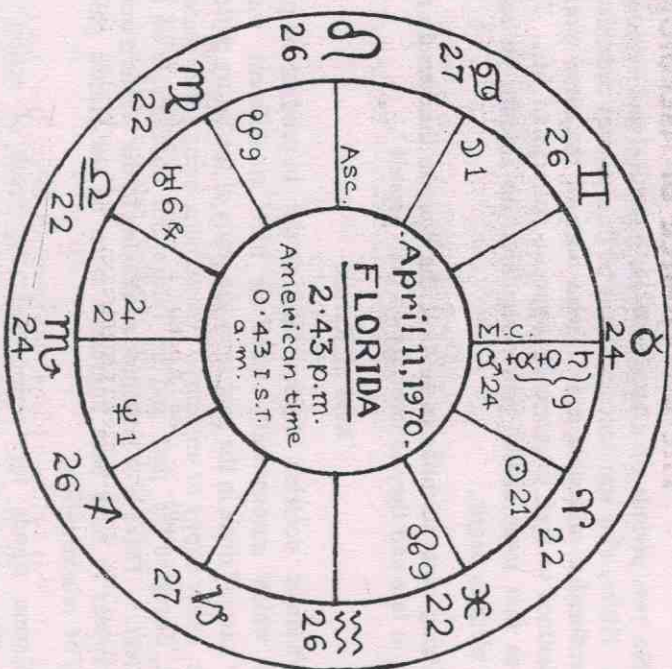


The Excellence of Astrology

With the flight of the Apollo 13 - the number betokens Herschelian eccentricity - to the earth's satellite Moon, has created history in the space programme. Not only the three astronauts exhibited their patience, daring and capacity to endure all odds in the sinking and grievous difficulties, but also has given an impetus to scientists to muster their scientific skill and talent in successfully bringing down the crippled space-craft to the earth safely.

A grievous situation had arisen due to a mishap in the craft and the situation was unpredictable for the scientists of eminence as to whether the three astronauts would return to earth safely or not. At such a juncture the science of foreknowledge comes to the rescue and enables one to pronounce a verdict about the success or failure of a venture.

In such a precarious situation it is to be appreciated that an astrologer like me was able to predict the safe arrival of the astronauts, without the aid of any machine or instrument, but by merely erecting the horoscope of the time of blasting off of the Apollo 13 at Cape Kennedy. My astrological material, meant for publication, was dispatched not only to the local newspapers



in Bombay, but copies were also sent to the Editor of the U. S. I. S., Delhi, Mr. Kenneth B. Keating, U. S. Ambassador in India, followed by a telegram in confirmation. The accuracy of the prediction once more highlights the excellence of the science of Astrology !

'Elecnonal Astrology' is concerned with choosing of propitious time for the commencement of any undertaking. According to this system, the time which is deliberately chosen for inauguration of a specific project of enterprise becomes the inceptional figure to predict accurately the success or otherwise of any venture.

From the above chart it will be seen that the vulnerable episode is attributable to the peculiar situation of the explosive

Mars on the 10th house cusp and transit of the Moon over the radical Mars in U.S.A.' map (Gemini 20 on ascendant). The Moon-Herschel trine from 11th to 3rd house has helped the scientists to display rare skill and patience. On the top of it, the Sun, the lord of the ascendant, was in the 9th house, and this is a very favourable aspect for the astronauts to survive. It is the exclusive effect of the auspicious planetary aspects that the tragic catastrophe has taken place prior to the landing of the spacecraft on the Moon !

All these inspired me to predict positively the safe return of astronauts.

Although human efforts are directed towards victory over Nature and unearth the mystery of the cosmic world, there is still something unknown to us which is beyond the orbit of human intellect and comprehension. To overcome this handicap, it is felt that scientists of imminence should seek a dialogue with heavenly bodies before they venture on any project through the medium of astrologers who unfortunately appear to have been neglected the world over. It is my conviction that expert and competent astrological advice would minimise the risk in such large scale adventures and ensure their relative safety, and this avenue should be availed of with all affection and attachment.



Planets, Fate and Free = will

Planets, Fate and Free-will : 77

No two periods of a man's life are identical and homologous. Hitler, who was once the terror of Europe, was overthrown and suffered a miserable end. Twins born of the same mother are destined to lead diametrically opposite patterns of life. This tells us that some unseen power regulates our sojourn on earth from birth to death.

Being more scientific in outlook, the Western thinkers do not believe in fate and they concentrate on the 'present'.

Role of Karma

Vedantic doctrine defines fate as the bi-product of past deeds which automatically manifests itself in different ways. The 'karma' done in the past sows the seeds of the future pattern of life, either happy or unhappy. Westerners, being solely materialistic, disregard the past and the future, but concentrate on the 'present.' There is of late some awakening in the Western world who appear to have been impressed much by the Hindu philosophy of reincarnation.

Karma stands for 'action' and 'the result of action' as well. That which gives birth to and determines the conditions of the present life is known as '*prarabdha*'. The store of past Karma which remains unspent is called '*Sanchita*'. The Karma generated by action of the present life which will become available in a future life is called '*Agami*'.

'Fate' in the West is considered as something outside man for whose working he is not responsible, while in East it is interpreted as one's own making in the past. In the West, it has been the despair of both religion and philosophy. In the East, it has been explained and accounted for. Free-will is a necessary corollary from the Vedantic explanation of Fate. What man made, he can unmake.

Astrology

Astrology postulates that all actions and reactions are correlated and rhythmic. It interpretes causes and effects with reference to the planets which condition human life. This implies that there is unbroken relationship between the very large

Certain duals, such as Day and Night, Male and Female Theist and Atheist and Fate and Free-will, exist since eternity and there is no end to the debate.

The Fate-Free-Will controversy has kept the Western thinkers busy for centuries past in judging the scope a human being enjoys by way of freedom of action.

There are two schools of thought amongst the Westerners, viz those with a religious or philosophical bent of mind, and others with a scientific way of life. One group maintains that "the will of a man is an much bound by the law of causality as the rest of the phenomena of the universe and is, therefore, not free," while the other group holds that "whatever may be the claims of determinism in the province of the physical sciences, man's actions are not determined, for he is empowered with free-will."

Paradox

The course of life is not smooth. We have to accept defeats and successes as well with cheer. Our journey from birth to death is conditioned by forces quite unknown and unseen. Persons with identical facilities and talent do not prosper simultaneously. Each one of the two has different luck, one is at the zenith of glory and the other is just pulling on in a hand to mouth existence.

moving objects in it, such as the Moon, the Sun and other planets and the small moving objects, such as human beings. This correlation is manifested through (a) houses in the horoscope, (b) the nature of zodiacal signs, and (c) the nature of planets and their placement in the respective signs and houses. Houses from one to six indicate past Karma. Those who believe in free-will regard that houses from 9 to 11 in the horoscope provide scope for human action. The horoscope contains and reflects all that has been in the past and all that will happen in human life, without any variation.

Each planet has a definite purpose and function. For example, the Sun indicates vitality, physical body, self-expression, higher soul and paternal love. Likewise, the Moon denotes mind, and tendencies and material happiness. All the forces of the planets counteract each other if heterogeneous in character and function and aid and help each other if will-disposed and well positioned in the horoscope. In this context, there is little or no scope for free will. Fate and life are indivisible and they are permanently fastened to each other. Fate is the product of the cumulative forces, good and bad. Human life is circumscribed and regulated by the auspicious and inauspicious planetary movement and naturally the so-called fate and free-will oscillate between predetermined positions, with a shorter or longer latitude and span of events.

The analogy of a lamb tied to a rope may be aptly stated. The lamb moves within a fixed radius, and the oscillations or the circular movements around the centre would be shorter or longer according to the length of the rope tied around the neck of the lamb. Fate, according to astrology, is a preordained event, and a human being enjoys free-will only to the extent of a given happening already presaged by the fateful stars in each individual horoscope.



Appendix A

How to erect a Chart using Ephemerides

Rule No. 1

Find out the time of event or birth, whether given in Standard Time, Local Mean Time, War Time, or in *ghati-palas*. Where Standard Time or Summer Time is given it must be converted into Local Mean Time (L. M. T.). (Note:- There was war Time in India from 1-4-42 to 15-10-1945).

Rule No. 2

If the time is not given in L. M. T., then it must be converted in to L. M. T. To do this, find the number or degrees of longitude your location is East or West of the Time Meridian which sets in the Standard Time of the part of the world for which your chart is being erected.

(a) If the location is east of the meridian, which sets the Standard Time, ADD the number of minutes.

(b) If the location is west of the meridian, which sets the Standard Time, SUBTRACT the number of minutes.

In other words, add 4 minutes for each degree of Longitude the location is east of the Standard Time Meridian or subtract 4 minutes for each degree it is west. The result will be the LMT.

Always remember that the Earth is turning from west to East and therefore time will be earlier in locations east of the Time Meridian than in locations west.

Rule No. 3

Calculate the interval of time between the noon previous to the birth or event and the actual L. M. T.

Rule No. 4

Correct this interval of time at rate of approximately 10 seconds per hour. This correction is only necessary where great precision is required, as the time found in Rule 3 is clock time and must be adjusted to make it equal Sidereal Time. (S. T.) This correction cannot amount to more than 3 minutes in any part of the world. Always add this correction to the interval of time as found by Rule 3.

Rule No. 5

Convert the longitude of birth place or event into time by calling the degrees of longitude minutes of time, and the minute of longitude seconds of time and multiplying them by 4. The result is the longitude in Time.

Rule No. 6

Correct this Longitude in Time by allowing approximately 10 secs. for each hour to adjust the location to the Sidereal Time. If location of birth or event is west of Greenwich, ADD this correction to the interval of times as found by Rule 3 and corrected by Rule 4. If location is east of Greenwich, SUBTRACT it.

Rule No. 7

Now turn to the ephemeris and calculate the S. T. for noon previous to the birth or event.

Rule No. 8

To the S. T. for the noon previous, add the interval of time as found by Rule 3. To this add the correction for the interval of time as found by Rule 4 and the correction for the Longitude in Time,

as found by Rule 6. The result is the S. T. of the chart for the birth or event. If the S. T. thus obtained exceeds 24 hours, subtract 24 and use the remainder.

Rule No. 9

Then turn to the Tables of Houses and under the proper Latitude, select the S. T. which is nearest to the S. T. of the chart and from the Tables find the signs and degrees and place on the house cusps of the chart.

Rule No. 10

Having found the S. T. for the birth or event to find the corresponding M. C. in degrees and minutes of Long.

1) From the Tables of Houses select the S. T. next larger than the given S. T. and from this subtract the S. T. next smaller. Call this result (a).

2) Next subtract the next smaller S. T. from the given S. T. Call this result (b),

3) Multiply (b) by 60 and divide result by (a).

4) Add this result to the longitude of the M. C. corresponding to the smaller S. T.

Rule No. 11

Having found the correct M. C. for our given S. T. to find the corresponding correct Asc.

1) The same as in Rule 10.

2) The same as in Rule 10.

3) Subtract the Asc corresponding to the smaller S. T. from Asc. corresponding to the larger S. T. call this result (c)

4) Multiply (b) by (c) and divide result by (a), Add this result to the long of the smaller Asc.

Rule No. 12

The next and last step is to calculate the approximate longitudes of the planets by using the ephemeris of the year for all planets.

Rule No. 13

To the S. T. of the chart, add, if direction be East or subtract if the direction be West the difference in Long. converted into time. This gives the S. T. for the new location and in the Table of Houses under the Lat. for this new location, find the changed house cusps for this location chart. Observe that the planets will be in the same signs and degree as found for the time or birth or event at the Radix Location.

For Southern Latitude**Rule No. 14**

Since the Tables of Houses are all made for Northern Latitudes to use them for Southern Latitudes proceed as follows :-

Having obtained our S. T. by the preceding Rules, we add 12 hours for Southern Latitude. Now turn to the Tables of House with this adjusted S. T. look under the proper Northern Latitude select the S. T. which is nearest to the S. T. of the chart as obtained and from this Table of North Latitudes find the signs and degrees as before in Rule 9 but use the opposite signs with the same degrees. Thus where the table gives 22 Gemini on the M. C. place 22 Sagittarius there. This is because signs of short ascension in North Latitudes are signs of long ascension in South Latitudes and vice versa.

**Appendix B**

Table of World Standard Time and Meridian

Sr. No.	Countries	Degrees of		Longitude	
		Latitude		in time	
		O	M	H	M
1	2	3	4		
1) WET (GMT)	Western European Time or Greenwich Mean Time	O	E	00	G. M. T.
2) CET	Central European Time	15	E	00	1.00 -
	Malta, Sicily, French Equatorial Africa, Came- roons, Belgian, Cango (West)				
	Angola, Danzig, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Germany,				
	Leone, Gold Coast, Faroes.				
	Morocco, Gambia, Sierra-				
	Gibraltar, Corsica, Algeria,				
	Luxembourg, Spain, Portugal,				
	Channell Is, France, Belgium,				
	Great Britain, Ireland,				

	Poland, Lithuania, Austria, Hungary, Switzerland, Italy, Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia, Albania, Tunisia, Nigeria, Sardinia.		
3) EET	Eastern European Time	30 E 00	2.00 -
	Soviet Union Zone 1, Turkey, Greece, Bulgaria, Roumania, Estonia, Latvia, Finland, Egypt, Palestine, Syria, Cyprus, Union of South Africa, South West Africa, Belgian Congo, Bechuanaland, Nyasaland.		
4) KT	Kenya Time	37 E 30	2.30 -
	Uganda, Kenya, Tanganyika, Zanzibar.		
5) BT	Baghdad Time	45 E 00	3.00 -
	Soviet Union-Zone 2, Iraq, Eritrea, Somaliland, Madagascar.		
6) IT	Iran Time	52 E 30	3.30 -
	Soviet Union Zone 3	60 E 00	4.00 -
	Soviet Union Zone 4	75 E 00	4.00 -
7) IST	Indian Standard Time		
	(Except Calcutta), Ceylon, Soviet Union Zone 5	82 E 30	5.30 -
		90 E 00	6.00 -
8) NST	North Sumatra Time	97 E 30	6.30 -
	Burma.		
9) SST	South Sumatra Time	105 E 00	7.00 -
	French Indochina, China, Thailand, Soviet Union Zone 6		
10) JT	Jawa Time	112 E 30	7.30 -
	Sarwak, Jawa, Netherlands, Borneo.		

Table of World Standard Time Meridians : 85

11) CCT	China Coast Time	120 E 00	8.00 -
	Soviet Union Zone 7, China Hongkong, Philippine Is, British North Borneo, Timor, West Australia Celebes.		
12) JST	Japanese Standard Time	135 E 00	9.00 -
	Soviet Union Zone 8, Manchuria, Japan, Korea, Formosa.		
13) SAST	South Australia Standard Time	142 E 30	9.30 -
	North Territory of Australia, New Southwales.		
14) GST	Guam Standard Time	150 E 00	10.00 -
	Soviet Union Zone 9, Victoria, New South Wales, Queensland Tasmania, New Guinea.		
	Soviet Union Zone 10, New Caledonia, New Hebrides.	165 E 00	11.00 -
15) NZT	New Zealand Time	172 E 00	11.30 -
16) IDLE	International Date line	180 E 00	12.00 -
17) IDLW	International Date line	180 W 00	12.00 +
18) NT	Nome Time	165 W 00	11.00 +
	Alaska, Somoa.		
19) HST	Hawaiian Std. Time	157 W 30	10.30 +
20) CAT	Central Alaska Time	150 W 00	10.00 +
21) YST	Yukon Standard Time	135 W 00	9.00 +
	Alaska, Yukon		
22) PST	Pacific Standard Time	120 W 00	8.00 +
	Alaska, Canada, United States.		
23) MST	Mountain Standard Time	105 W 00	7.00 +
	Canada, United States, Mexico.		

24) CST	Central Standard Time	90 W 00	6.00 +
	Canada, United States, Mexico		
	Costa Rica, Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua.		
25) EERS	Eastern Standard Time	75 W 00	5.00 +
	Canada, United States,		
	Jamaica, Bahama Is, Cuba, Haiti, Peru, Panama, Brazil, Columbia Equador.		
26) VT	Venezuela Time	67 W 30	4.30 +
27) AST	Atlantic Standard Time	60 W 00	4.00 +
	Canada, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward I, Puerto Rico, Trinidad, Leeward Is, Guadalupe, Martinique, Barbadoes, Brazil, Argentina, French Guiana, Falkland Is., Paraguay, Chile.		
28) BGT	British Guiana Time	59 W 00	3.56 +
29) NFT	New Foundland Time	52 W 30	3.30 +
	Uruguay, New Foundland, Labrador,		
30) BST	Brazil Standard Time	45 W 00	3.00 +
	Greenland, Bermuda, Brazil.		
31) AT	Azores Time	30 W 00	2.00 +
	Cape Verde Is.		
32) WAT	West African Time	15 W 00	1.00 +
	Iceland, Portuguese Guinea, Canary Is.		



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PART I

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	2	have inborn	have an inborn
	22	Ashba	Ashlesha
	23	asterises	asterism
	24	on	in
	26	ascendant	ascendant
	30	staesdant	statesman
	30	sun-mars	Sun-Mars
	30	praved	provided
39	12	sept.	sept.
40	2	mars	Mars
	7	conviction	conviction
	2	dasha	dasha
	11	are	are
42	7	in order	in that order
	7	professiona	professional
	1	affiction	affliction
43	1	nclined	inclined
	12	leave the	leave at the
	19	cosp.	culp
44	9	retired the	retired from the
	10	were	where

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	16	as rule	as a rule
	18	an	a
	22	confusing	confusing
	24	t helps	helps
	24	trasis	transit
45	2	leading comfortable	leading a comfortable
	8	in	it
	17	of	-
	18	of rich	charts of rich
47	2	scorpions	scorpions
	13	hrough	through
	28	guide lines	guidelines
49	1	ehav	have
	2	tha	that
	3	gant	gam-
	4	opportunitis	opportunities
	6	me to deal	my dealing
	7	lot of	lots of
	17	disappointed	disappointed
	17	casual	causal
50	4	Is	is
	6	sanchit f	sanchit,
	6	house	houses
	13	one	one
	13	he	the
52	9	on	one
51	8	pars-fortuna	pars-fortune
	15	ottry	lootry
53	12	is	add "the"
	23	indule	indulge
	27	raises	arises
	30	if	in
55	24	exhilarated	exhilarated
57	18	Agnarius	Agnarius
58	9	journey	journeys
	17	plane	planet

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59	19	o	of
60	Last	een	been
61	4	-	journey
63	4	not expect in	not in
		in rate abnormal	in rate except
			abnormal
	5	ature	nature
	19	mesely	merely
	18	diseases	disease
64	31	usnayll	usually
66	9	Bosian	Bosnian
	13	the water selling	the water is selling
67	26	additions	addition
68	5	personelities	personalities
	10	appeal	-
	15	lending	blending
	15	Scorpions	Scorpions
	22	Cautius	Cautious
	27	preversive	perverse
69	last	grab	garb
70	1	supersede	supersedes
	9	respect	respect
		bring	brings
	28	monstrosity	monstrosity
71	1	abhorred	abhorred
72	4	turpidity	turpitude
	last	the sex	Sex
73	2	Herschelian	Herschelian
	6	has	had
75	6	astromatuts	astronauts
76	10	Casualty	casualty
	19	prosper	prosper

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77	4	diametrically	diametrically
78	14	alistic	alistic
79	16	who	which
80	32	rythmic	rythmic
81	16	heterogenous	heterogenous
82	17	will - well	well-disposed
83	24	latitude	latitude
84	15	stand	standard
85	13	logitude	longitude
86	13	ephmers	ephemeris
87	25	previous	previous